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# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# GRAND LODGE

OF

# Ancient Free and Accepted Masons

OF

# MINNESOTA

AT THE FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

ST. PAUL, JANUARY 20 AND 21,

1904.

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*OFFICIATING:*

M.·. W.·. HENRY R. ADAMS, Minneapolis, Grand Master.
R.·. W.·. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

*ELECTED AND INSTALLED:*

M.·. W.·. WILLIAM A. McGONAGLE, Duluth, Grand Master.
R.·. W.·. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

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ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL THE LODGES.

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## OFFICERS GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF MINNESOTA.

Installed January 21, 1904.

ELECTED.

M.·. W.·. Bro. WILLIAM A. McGONAGLE, Duluth..Grand Master
R.·. W.·. Bro. HENRY M. TUSLER, St. Paul.....Deputy Grand Master
R.·. W.·. Bro. THOMAS MORRIS, Crookston.....Senior Grand Warden
R.·. W.·. Bro. GUSTAF WIDELL, Mankato.....Junior Grand Warden
R.·. W.·. Bro. DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis....Grand Treasurer
R.·. W.·. Bro. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul...Grand Secretary

APPOINTED.

W.·. Bro. LUIS G. HOFFMAN, St. Paul.....Grand Orator
W.·. Bro. ALFRED G. PINKHAM, Owatonna.....Grand Chaplain
W.·. Bro. CHARLES L. SAWYER, Minneapolis....Senior Grand Deacon
W.·. Bro. EUGENE E. SWAN, Stewart.....Junior Grand Deacon
W.·. Bro. JOHN D. CARROLL, Newport.....Grand Marshal
W.·. Bro. R. A. W. McLEOD, Lake City.....Grand Standard Bearer
W.·. Bro. H. W. HENDRICKSON, Montevideo.....Grand Sword Bearer
W.·. Bro. WILLIAM P. ROBERTS, Minneapolis...Senior Grand Steward
W.·. Bro. EDWIN H. FOOT, Red Wing.....Junior Grand Steward
W.·. Bro. WILLIAM A. NOLAN, Grand Meadow.....Grand Pursuivant
W.·. Bro. CHARLES J. KRUGER, St. Paul.....Grand Tyler

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

IRVING TODD, Hastings. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.
GEORGE R. METCALF, St. Paul.

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

CHARLES GRISWOLD, North St. Paul, Chairman.
WILLIAM B. PATTON, Duluth. DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis.
WILLIAM R. SMITH, Benson. JOHN H. SPROUT, Blue Earth.

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## OFFICERS GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Installed October 13, 1903.

M.·. E.·. Comp. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul.....Grand High Priest
M.·. E.·. Comp. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.....Grand Secretary

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## OFFICERS GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Installed October 12, 1903.

M.·. I.·. Comp. THOMAS G. LEE, Minneapolis.....Grand Master
R.·. I.·. Comp. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.....Grand Recorder

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## OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Installed April 29, 1903.

R.·. E.·. Sir Knight S. S. KILVINGTON, Minneapolis.Grand Commander
R.·. E.·. Sir Knight THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul...Grand Recorder

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## RULES FOR MASONIC DATES.

1. *Ancient Craft Masons*—Add 4000 to the current year, thus: A. D. 1904+4000=A.·. L.·. (*Anno Lucis*—year of light) 5904.
2. *Royal Arch Masons*—Add 530 to the current year, thus: A. D. 1904+530=A.·. I.·. (*Anno Inventionis*—year of discovery) 2304.
3. *Royal and Select Masters*—Add 1000 to the current year, thus: A. D. 1904+1000=A.·. Dep.·. (*Anno Depositionis*—year of deposit) 2904.
4. *Knights Templar*—Subtract 1118 from the current year, thus: A. D. 1904—1118=A.·. O.·. (*Anno Ordinis*—year of the Order) 786.

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge of A.·. F.·. & A.·. M.·.

## OF MINNESOTA.

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## FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,

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ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, Jan. 20, 1904.

The Fifty-first Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota was held in the Masonic Hall on Fifth street, in the City of St. Paul, commencing at high twelve on Wednesday, January 20, A. D. 1904, A.·. L.·. 5904.

All the Grand Officers were present. During the session 223 lodges were represented out of 239 on the roll.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM by Grand Master Henry R. Adams.

Grand Secretary Montgomery appointed Bros. E. C. Shibley (191) and Chas. P. Montgomery (185) his assistants.

Visiting brethren were assigned to seats in the gallery.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on Credentials: Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary, E. C. Shibley (191) and F. S. James (18).

Proxies were called for and handed in to the committee.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment until 2 p. m.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, Jan. 20, 1904.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2 p. m.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

A roll of all brethren entitled to seats having been prepared by the Grand Secretary, those present, including proxies, were noted as he called the roll, and the committee, after reporting, were continued to make additions and corrections during the session. The following is their corrected report:

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that there are present seventeen Grand Officers, seventeen permanent members, and 368 representatives of 223 out of 239 active chartered Lodges, including 79 proxies, as follows:

#### GRAND OFFICERS.

M.·. W.·. Bro. Henry R. Adams.....Grand Master
R.·. W.·. Bro. William A. McGonagle.....Deputy Grand Master
R.·. W.·. Bro. Henry M. Tusler.....Senior Grand Warden
R.·. W.·. Bro. Thomas Morris.....Junior Grand Warden
R.·. W.·. Bro. David W. Knowlton.....Grand Treasurer
R.·. W.·. Bro. Thomas Montgomery.....Grand Secretary
W.·. Bro. John C. Bennett.....Grand Orator
W.·. Bro. Alfred G. Pinkham.....Grand Chaplain
W.·. Bro. Joseph H. Johnson.....Senior Grand Deacon
W.·. Bro. Gustaf Widell.....Junior Grand Deacon
W.·. Bro. Charles L. Sawyer.....Grand Marshal
W.·. Bro. John D. Carroll.....Grand Standard Bearer
W.·. Bro. R. A. W. McLeod.....Grand Sword Bearer
W.·. Bro. H. W. Hendrickson.....Senior Grand Steward
W.·. Bro. Edwin H. Foot.....Junior Grand Steward
W.·. Bro. Eugene E. Swan.....Grand Pursuivant
W.·. Bro. Charles J. Kruger.....Grand Tyler

#### PERMANENT MEMBERS.

*Past Grand Masters*—Charles W. Nash, Charles Griswold, Edward W. Durant, Henry R. Wells, Henry R. Denny, Calvin L. Brown,

Alonzo T. Stebbins, Alonzo Brandenburg, Gideon S. Ives, Ambrose D. Countryman.

*Past Deputy Grand Master*—Charles L. West.

*Past Senior Grand Wardens*—Samuel E. Adams, Edgar Nash.

*Past Junior Grand Wardens*—Albert Marden, Henry C. Shepard, William B. Patton, James D. Markham.

REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES, 1904.

| No. | | | |
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| | 1. | St. Johns | Roy G. Staples, W.·. M.·.<br>C. Bayard Staples, J.·. W.·. |
| | 2. | Cataract | Geo. P. Sjoblom, W.·. M.·.<br>Edward E. Nicholson, S.·. W.·.<br>Frank L. Gowen, J.·. W.·. |
| | 3. | St. Paul | Fredk. J. Banister, W.·. M.·.<br>Milton S. Mead, J.·. W.·. |
| | 4. | Hennepin | Jas. G. Houghton, proxy for W.·. M.·.<br>Fred G. Dustin, S.·. W.·.<br>John J. Bullis, J.·. W.·. |
| | 5. | Ancient Landmark | I. B. B. Sprague, proxy for W.·. M.·.<br>Lawrence Hope, S.·. W.·.<br>John K. Robinson, J.·. W.·. |
| | 7. | Dakota | L. W. Smock, W.·. M.·.<br>Irving Todd, proxy for S.·. W.·. |
| | 8. | Red Wing | F. D. Putnam, W.·. M.·.<br>H. C. Buel, proxy for S.·. W.·.<br>Frank D. Putnam, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| | 9. | Faribault | J. F. Lindeman, W.·. M.·.<br>O. M. Henderson, S.·. W.·.<br>D. E. Goodman, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| | 11. | Mantorville | C. A. Miller, W.·. M.·.<br>M. C. Shaver, S.·. W.·.<br>A. A. Crampton, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| | 12. | Mankato | Samuel B. Wilson, W.·. M.·. |
| | 14. | Wapahasa | Joseph Buisson, proxy for W.·. M.·. |
| | 16. | Monticello | O. C. Chamberlain, W.·. M.·.<br>E. H. Sherwin, proxy for S.·. W.·.<br>M. J. Kingsbury, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| | 17. | Hokah | L. T. Lyon, W.·. M.·.<br>J. D. Becker, S.·. W.·.<br>A. J. Snure, J.·. W.·. |
| | 18. | Winona | Franklin S. James, W.·. M.·. |
| | 19. | Minneapolis | C. C. Reynolds, W.·. M.·.<br>George E. Young, S.·. W.·.<br>A. F. Pray, J.·. W.·. |
| | 20. | Caledonia | F. A. Duxbury, W.·. M.·. |

21. Rochester .....George B. Doty, W.·. M.·.
T. H. Bliss, S.·. W.·.
22. Pleasant Grove.....Wm. Smith, J.·. W.·.
23. North Star.....Wm. H. Thompson, W.·. M.·.
24. Wilton .....Geo. Hofeld, proxy for W.·. M.·.
26. Western Star.....L. A. Hanes, W.·. M.·.
N. C. Sorenson, S.·. W.·.
27. Blue Earth Valley..E. L. Allen, W.·. M.·.
28. Clear Water.....George E. Ring, W.·. M.·.
29. Morning Star.....Joseph Robillard, W.·. M.·.
30. Anoka .....Thos. J. Abbett, W.·. M.·.
Oliver F. Warnes, S.·. W.·.
P. G. Woodward, J.·. W.·.
31. King Hiram.....W. H. Phillips, W.·. M.·.
32. Sakatah .....Geo. W. McConkey, W.·. M.·.
33. Star in the East.....P. J. Kuntz, W.·. M.·.
Wm. J. Lieb, S.·. W.·.
A. G. Pinkham, J.·. W.·.
34. Oriental .....Nils N. Monson, W.·. M.·.
35. Mount Moriah.....A. M. Hayes, W.·. M.·.
36. Preston .....Elmer Cummings, S.·. W.·.
37. Mystic Tie.....J. A. McDougal, J.·. W.·.
38. Washington .....E. H. Catlin, W.·. M.·.
C. S. Day, S.·. W.·.
39. Fidelity .....J. H. Robertson, W.·. M.·.
40. Carnelian .....W. J. Fladwed, W.·. M.·.
R. A. W. McLeod, proxy for S.·. W.·.
W. J. Lowrie, J.·. W.·.
41. Hermon .....F. W. Fulkerson, W.·. M.·.
E. Woodbury, proxy for S.·. W.·.
J. L. Williams, J.·. W.·.
42. Hope .....W. L. Tifft, W.·. M.·.
C. M. Tifft, proxy for S.·. W.·.
W. J. Turnbull, proxy for J.·. W.·.
43. Harmony .....Lewis J. Baldwin, W.·. M.·.
44. King Solomon.....Chas. G. Hinds, proxy for S.·. W.·.
45. Union .....D. D. Sykes, W.·. M.·.
H. F. Weis, proxy for S.·. W.·.
Robt. H. Cosgrove, J.·. W.·.
46. Evergreen .....F. G. Sanders, S.·. W.·.
47. Concord .....George Simpson, W.·. M.·.
W. C. Davis, J.·. W.·.
48. Social .....W. F. Manhart, W.·. M.·.
J. W. Walden, S.·. W.·.
49. Rising Sun.....Emil W. Heubach, S.·. W.·.

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| 50. | Watertown ..... | O. N. Mapes, proxy for W.·. M.·.<br>H. A. Malsed, S.·. W.·.<br>J. G. Johnson, J.·. W.·. |
| 51. | Acacia ..... | Louis J. Crippen, S.·. W.·. |
| 52. | Cannon River..... | George Molm, W.·. M.·.<br>J. C. Temple, proxy for S.·. W.·. |
| 54. | Nicollet ..... | James Bennett, W.·. M.·.<br>Henry Hildebrandt, S.·. W.·. |
| 55. | Zion ..... | Ed. H. Folsom, W.·. M.·.<br>H. G. Murdock, proxy for S.·. W.·. |
| 56. | Meridian ..... | Wm. Strafford, proxy for W.·. M.·.<br>Geo. L. Gould, S.·. W.·.<br>George Andrus, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| 57. | Blue Earth City.... | C. N. Brown, W.·. M.·.<br>J. H. Sprout, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| 58. | Spring Valley..... | Geo. M. Warren, W.·. M.·.<br>Burdette Thayer, S.·. W.·. |
| 59. | Temple ..... | J. A. Tmey, proxy for S.·. W.·.<br>S. G. Anderson, Jr., J.·. W.·. |
| 60. | Star in the West.... | M. A. Scherffins, W.·. M.·. |
| 61. | Ashler ..... | R. C. Dugan, S.·. W.·. |
| 62. | Star ..... | O. M. Crawford, W.·. M.·.<br>Chas. Bugbee, S.·. W.·. |
| 63. | Illustrious ..... | F. L. Gilbert, W.·. M.·.<br>F. A. Wells, proxy for S.·. W.·.<br>Geo. R. Hall, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| 64. | Chain Lake..... | A. A. Horton, W.·. M.·. |
| 65. | Golden Rule..... | C. V. Holstrom, W.·. M.·. |
| 66. | Madelia ..... | Not represented. |
| 67 | Corinthian ..... | O. S. Lundberg, W.·. M.·.<br>Edward L. Brackett, proxy for S.·. W.·. |
| 69. | Mystic Star..... | Wm. Stage, W.·. M.·. |
| 71. | Paynesville ..... | Henry A. Wells, W.·. M.·.<br>W. A. Huntington, S.·. W.·. |
| 72. | Lansing ..... | O. C. La Bar, W.·. M.·. |
| 73. | Brownsville ..... | Not represented. |
| 75. | Eureka ..... | Warren M. Walker, W.·. M.·. |
| 76. | Joppa ..... | Chas. F. Ulrich, W.·. M.·.<br>J. G. Graham, proxy for S.·. W.·. |
| 77. | Tuscan ..... | Chas. A. Smith, S.·. W.·.<br>Ralph D. Garland, J.·. W.·. |
| 78. | Mystic Circle..... | James E. Parish, W.·. M.·. |
| 79. | Palestine ..... | Stanley R. Holden, W.·. M.·.<br>Chas. A. Bronson, J.·. W.·. |
| 80. | Henderson ..... | Not represented. |
| 81. | Constellation ..... | E. A. Hensel, S.·. W.·. |

82. Howard ..... E. H. Learned, W.·. M.·.
83. Huram Abi..... J. J. McCaughey, W.·. M.·.
84. Orient ..... Not represented.
85. High Forest..... E. H. Englehart, S.·. W.·.
Floyd Englehart, J.·. W.·.
86. Tyrian ..... L. L. Mathews, W.·. M.·.
M. J. Rucker, J.·. W.·.
87. Doric ..... E. D. Udell, W.·. M.·.
89. Golden Fleece..... Jonathan W. Wright, W.·. M.·.
John W. Johnson, S.·. W.·.
J. E. Elliott, proxy for J.·. W.·.
90. Good Faith..... W. W. Wold, W.·. M.·.
John Burnham, S.·. W.·.
Alex. Fiddes, proxy for J.·. W.·.
91. Antiquity ..... Julius A. Schmahl, proxy for W.·. M.·.
92. Fraternal ..... Chas A. Dickey, W.·. M.·.
93. Unity ..... G. S. Reeder, W.·. M.·.
94. Keystone ..... Thos. F. Addy, W.·. M.·.
Carl J. Hansen, J.·. W.·.
95. Sherburne ..... F. D. Waterman, W.·. M.·.
96. Libanus ..... Chas. Engelbracht, W.·. M.·.
Mark Fossom, S.·. W.·.
97. Prudence ..... Frank Stedman, W.·. M.·.
98. Charity ..... N. Henningsen, proxy for W.·. M.·.
99. Corner Stone..... E. A. Brown, W.·. M.·.
N. F. Field, S.·. W.·.
J. T. Johnson, proxy for J.·. W.·.
100. Aurora ..... Geo. O. Whitney, S.·. W.·.
101. Fraternity ..... Harvey Hawley, W.·. M.·.
W. E. Bloom, J.·. W.·.
102. Lebanon ..... A. C. Ronning, J.·. W.·.
103. Bethel ..... D. H. Edwards, proxy for W.·. M.·.
104. Sharon ..... Henry J. Ramsett, proxy for W.·. M.·.
106. Mt. Tabor ..... E. F. Harris, J.·. W.·.
108. Relief ..... Gus Crail, W.·. M.·.
A. S. Palmerlee, S.·. W.·.
Geo. W. Ballard, proxy for J.·. W.·.
109. Sunset ..... Wm. Dunbrack, proxy for W.·. M.·.
110. Pickwick ..... Not represented.
111. Carver ..... Jacob Bristle, W.·. M.·.
112. Khurum ..... C. R. Cooley, W.·. M.·.
S. B. Washburn, S.·. W.·.
O. E. F. Smith, J.·. W.·.
113. Excelsior ..... Byron W. Wilson, W.·. M.·.
114. Ben Franklin..... C. O. Wright, W.·. M.·.
115. Elgin ..... D. W. Searles, J.·. W.·.

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| 116. | Lafayette | A. B. Warren, W.·. M.·.<br>J. N. Thacher, S.·. W.·. |
| 117. | Granite | J. G. C. Johnson, W.·. M.·. |
| 118. | Newport | J. M. Trickey, W.·. M.·.<br>J. D. Carroll, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| 119. | Delta | W. A. Hawkins, proxy for W.·. M.·. |
| 121. | Grand Meadow | Geo. A. Covell, W.·. M.·.<br>Wm. A. Nolan, proxy for S.·. W.·.<br>Geo. A. Wright, J.·. W.·. |
| 122. | Kellogg | H. W. Canfield, S.·. W.·. |
| 123. | Prairie | Ed. Morton, W.·. M.·. |
| 124. | Janesville | M. A. Devereaux, W.·. M.·.<br>F. H. Miner, proxy for S.·. W.·. |
| 125. | Winslow Lewis | D. W. Norris, W.·. M.·. |
| 126. | Moorhead | L. W. Hyde, J.·. W.·. |
| 128. | Josephus | J. H. Dobie, W.·. M.·.<br>C. J. Laurich, J.·. W.·. |
| 129. | Swift | Ernest R. Aldrich, W.·. M.·.<br>Headley J. Crooks, S.·. W.·.<br>Arnold Olson, proxy for J.·. W.· |
| 131. | Alma | Olaf G. Dahl, W.·. M.·.<br>Andrew B. Anderson, S.·. W.·. |
| 132 | Humboldt | J. W. Truwe, W.·. M.·.<br>Hy. Vogler, Sr., J.·. W.·. |
| 133. | Golden Sheaf | Royal A. Stone, W.·. M.·.<br>John A. Linne, S.·. W.·.<br>O. C. Hanson, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| 134. | Cokato | Not represented. |
| 135. | Nelson | Alfred E. Sturges, S.·. W.·.<br>Edward A. Covey, J.·. W.·. |
| 136. | Walnut | Don O. Bulen, S.·. W.·. |
| 137. | Appleton | Barnard Miller, W.·. M.·.<br>Gunder Kivley, S.·. W.·. |
| 138. | Orion | Peter Bogle, W.·. M.·.<br>Henry W. Jones, S.·. W.·.<br>Frank L. Salter, J.·. W.·. |
| 139. | Verndale | Thos. H. Ritchie, W.·. M.·.<br>C. Ditmore, proxy for S.·. W.·. |
| 140. | Little Falls | E. A. Kling, proxy for W.·. M.·. |
| 141. | Crookston | Joseph Smith, proxy for W.·. M.·. |
| 142. | Currie | Not represented. |
| 143. | Lakeview | H. L. Zweiner, proxy for W.·. M.·.<br>H. Kollitz, proxy for S.·. W.·.<br>F. F. Norris, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| 144. | Bird Island | J. H. Feeter, W.·. M.·. |
| 145. | Melrose | Hugh C. Maguren, W.·. M.·. |

146. Benton .....C. W. Stites, W.·. M.·.
Chas. J. Taylor, J.·. W.·.
147. Canby .....Geo. W. Allen, proxy for W.·. M.·.
M. S. Nelson, S.·. W.·.
148. Quarry .....E. H. Argetsinger, W.·. M.·.
149. Guardian .....Not represented.
150. Warren .....Douglas Farrell, W.·. M.·.
151. Chaska .....W. C. Odell, W.·. M.·.
152. Frontier .....Wilfiam M. James, W.·. M.·.
153. Kodahya .....L. C. Bigelow, W.·. M.·.
154. Norman .....Peter Sharpe, W.·. M.·.
155. Tracy .....F. S. Brown, proxy for W.·. M.·.
156. Wadena .....John Liddell, W.·. M.·.
157. Perham .....L. E. Davison, W.·. M.·.
158. Hector .....W. E. Kemp, W.·. M.·.
159. Long Prairie.....J. U. Hemmy, S.·. W.·.
160. Plymouth .....Chas. H. Bishop, W.·. M.·.
Frank H. McCuskey, J.·. W.·.
161. Sincerity .....Wm. Kerr, S.·. W.·.
162. Prescott .....A. W. Wells, W.·. M.·.
163. Summit .....Robert B. Ware, proxy for S.·. W.·.
H. P. Fahenstock, J.·. W.·.
164. Jasper .....Curtis M. Johnson, S.·. W.·.
165. Minnehaha .....Carl J. Stockdale, W.·. M.·.
H. S. Goff, proxy for S.·. W.·.
B. L. Smith, proxy for J.·. W.·.
166. Garnet .....J. C. Fulton, proxy for W.·. M.·.
L. H. Schnabel, proxy for S.·. W.·.
167. Agate .....J. W. Hoffsinger, W.·. M.·.
John Cassedy, J.·. W.·.
168. Braden .....Wm. H. Bell, W.·. M.·.
James Schoonmaker, S.·. W.·.
Chas. L. Tracy, J.·. W.·.
169. Pierson .....O. J. Aamodt, W.·. M.·.
M. D. Hawver, S.·. W.·.
Robert Strachan, proxy for J.·. W.·.
170. Fulda .....Ambrose A. Snyder, W.·. M.·.
171. Shekinah .....C. S. Schurman, proxy for W.·. M.·.
E. A. Thiem, J.·. W.·.
172. Marietta .....C. P. Smith, W.·. M.·.
C. A. Durkee, S.·. W.·.
173. Plumb Line.....Walter Dixon, W.·. M.·.
174. Valley .....W. A. Simonton, W.·. M.·.
175. Roman Eagle.....C. C. May, W.·. M.·.
176. Ark .....Green L. Fort, W.·. M.·.
Harry Moore, S.·. W.·.
Chas. C. Kramer, J.·. W.·.

177. Rough Ashlar.....F. J. Whitlock, W.·. M.·.
178. Anchor .....J. N. Carnes, W.·. M.·.
F. L. Easty, proxy for J.·. W.·.
179. King David.....Not represented.
180. Osakis .....Knute Swore, W.·. M.·.
181. Dalles .....O. S. Parker, W.·. M.·.
182. Fair Haven.....Henry K. Kelly, proxy for W.·. M.·.
184. Shell .....Smith De Wees, proxy for W.·. M.·.
185. Midway .....Chas. T. Pohling, W.·. M.·.
C. Ackermann, S.·. W.·.
C. P. Montgomery, proxy for J.·. W.·.
186. Ionic .....Hugh R. Burgo, W.·. M.·.
Wm. D. Underhill, S.·. W.·.
Sheldon L. Frazer, proxy for J.·. W.·.
187. Arcana .....Elmer W. Gray, W.·. M.·.
John Suggitt, S.·. W.·.
Henry A. Sauer, J.·. W.·.
188. Fortitude .....L. H. Bryan, proxy for W.·. M.·.
189. Traverse .....Joseph B. Bruns, W.·. M.·.
190. Triune .....F. W. Matson, W.·. M.·.
S. R. Loux, S.·. W.·.
G. H. Sharp, J.·. W.·.
191. Mizpah .....E. L. Sloan, W.·. M.·.
Geo. L. Lytle, S.·. W.·.
E. C. Shibley, proxy for J.·. W.·.
192. Crow River.....C. M. Iverslie, W.·. M.·.
Alex. Ridgeway, S.·. W.·.
John F. Chisholm, J.·. W.·.
193. Amboy .....W. E. Schmidt, S.·. W.·.
G. W. Smith, J.·. W.·.
194. Canton .....Chas. R. Vail, S.·. W.·.
Geo. W. Wilford, J.·. W.·.
195. Renville .....J. Butters, W.·. M.·.
H. B. Brooks, S.·. W.·.
P. J. Battge, J.·. W.·.
196. Geneva .....Chas. E. Taylor, W.·. M.·.
197. Vermillion .....G. H. Vivian, W.·. M.·.
198. Euclid .....Chas. C. Salter, W.·. M.·.
George E. Budd, S.·. W.·.
L. A. Barnes, proxy for J.·. W.·.
199. Murray .....W. A. Forsaith, W.·. M.·.
200. Zenith .....W. M. Blackmun, W.·. M.·.
201. Kenyon .....M. H. Silvernale, W.·. M.·.
202. Atelier .....Not represented.
203. Stewartville .....C. E. Fawcett, W.·. M.·.
Ralph Whitney, proxy for S.·. W.·.

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| 204. | St. Elmo | A. G. McKnight, S.·. W.·. |
| 205. | Wayzata | A. J. Hadley, W.·. M.·. |
| 206. | Fosston | Joel Fogelberg, W.·. M.·. |
| 207. | Crescent | David E. Tull, W.·. M.·. |
| | | Arthur B. Church, S.·. W.·. |
| | | W. H. Pattison, J.·. W.·. |
| 208. | Itasca | D. M. Gunn, W.·. M.·. |
| | | O. M. Mitchelil. S.·. W.·. |
| 209. | Sibley | J. A. E. Johnson, proxy for W.·. M.·. |
| 210. | Columbian | J. L. Gessell, W.·. M.·. |
| | | Leroy Brown, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| 211. | Friendship | John A. Bailey, W.·. M.·. |
| | | E. C. Baird, proxy for S.·. W.·. |
| 212. | Hallock | Alfred P. T. Suffel, S.·. W.·. |
| 213. | Mystic | Irvine Innes, W.·. M.·. |
| 214. | Evansville | O. A. Felt, W.·. M.·. |
| 215. | Argyle | David Dundas, S.·. W.·. |
| 216. | Florence | W. O. Dillingham, W.·. M.·. |
| 217. | Capital City | A. P. Drake, S.·. W.·. |
| 218. | Griswold | J. J. Leverenz, W.·. M.·. |
| | | Axel Nelson, S.·. W.·. |
| 219. | Mt. Hermon | F. Wilcox, proxy for W.·. M.·. |
| 220. | Olivia | Geo. W. Diepenbrock, W.·. M.·. |
| | | N. L. Headline, J.·. W.·. |
| 221. | Equity | J. H. Catlin, proxy for W.·. M.·. |
| 222. | Elysian | L. C. Keene, S.·. W.·. |
| 223. | Mora | Chas. C. Rogers, W.·. M.·. |
| 224. | Minnesota | Chas. D. Gould, W.·. M.·. |
| | | C. W. G. Hyde, S.·. W.·. |
| 225. | Justice | Not represented. |
| 226. | Lincoln | James H. Ward, W.·. M.·. |
| 227. | Park Region | Not represented. |
| 228. | Vernon Center | Thos. T. Warham, W.·. M.·. |
| | | B. F. Fernald, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| 229. | Stewart | Hugh A. Burns, proxy for W.·. M.·. |
| 230. | Alpha | Not represented. |
| 231. | Magnolia | Frank Collins, S.·. W.·. |
| 232. | Chisago | E. M. Dahlby, proxy for S.·. W.·. |
| | | E. M. Dahlby, proxy for J.·. W.·. |
| 233. | Bemidji | Wm. McQuaig, S.·. W.·. |
| 234. | Sandstone | Albert S. Webb, W.·. M.·. |
| 235. | Edgerton | Not represented. |
| 236. | Northern | Not represented. |
| 237. | Albert Pike | Hans M. Peterson, W.·. M.·. |
| | | Albert H. Nash, S.·. W.·. |
| | | S. S. Kilvington, proxy for J.·. W.·. |

238. Equality .....C. M. Gislason, W.·. M.·.
239. Eveleth .....Not represented.
240. Astra .....Felton Vollmer, W.·. M.·.
241. Frazee .....Timothy W. Chilton, W.·. M.·.
Fred C. Clayton, S.·. W.·.
Dennis L. Durkin, J.·. W.·.
242. Ruthton .....Cary Diehl, proxy for W.·. M.·
243. Cass .....George Stein, W.·. M.·.
244. Coteau .....F. S. Purdy, W.·. M.·.
245. Wabasso .....W. A. Houck, W.·. M.·.
O. T. Newhouse, S.·. W.·.
246. Fides .....Enos P. Dotson, W.·. M.·.
247. Morality .....Lewis M. Lerwick, W.·. M.·.
A. G. Forssell, proxy for S.·. W.·.
248. Raymond .....Sept. Edmonson, W.·. M.·.
Chas. E. Fouts, S.·. W.·.
249. Barto..... P. H. Melcher, S.·. W.·.
Geo. Hannah, J.·. W.·.
250. Lakefield .....Not represented.
251. McKinley .....Sidney W. Smith, S.·. W.·.
252. Morton .....J. B. S. Wagner, S.·. W.·.
253. Dexter .....Harry E. Owen, W.·. M.·.
Wm. H. Pierce, S.·. W.·.
254. Lake Park.....Not represented.
255. Mesaba .....D. F. Wadsworth, proxy for W.·. M.·.
Marshall M. Ghent, S.·. W.·.
D. F. Wadsworth, proxy for J.·. W.·.

We also report the following Grand Representatives present:

A. Brandenburg.....for Alabama, Michigan and Belgium
Sheldon L. Frazer.....for Arkansas
Edward W. Durant.....for Canada
Thos. Montgomery.....for Colorado, England, Scotland and Ireland
Charles Griswold.....for Connecticut
Henry R. Denny.....for Delaware
James D. Markham.....for District of Columbia
William P. Roberts.....for Florida
William B. Patton.....for Georgia
Alonzo T. Stebbins.....for Illinois and Prince Edward Island
Calvin L. Brown.....for Kansas
Charles W. Nash.....for Louisiana
Henry R. Adams.....for Maine and Rhode Island
Henry C. Shepard.....for Manitoba
Henry R. Wells.....for Mississippi, North and South Dakota
Wm. A. McGonagle.....for Missouri and Ohio

A. D. Countryman.....for Montana and South Australia
Albert Marden.....for Nevada
Thomas Morris.....for New Brunswick and Washington
David W. Knowlton.....for New Jersey.
Charles G. Hinds.....for New Mexico
Henry M. Tusler.....for New South Wales and Utah
I. B. B. Sprague.....for North Carolina
Gideon S. Ives.....for Oregon
S. S. Kilvington.....for Quebec
Irving Todd.....for South Carolina
Samuel E. Adams.....for Vermont
Edgar Nash.....for Virginia
Charles L. West.....for West Virginia

THOS. MONTGOMERY,
E. C. SHIBLEY,
F. S. JAMES,
*Committee.*

Grand Master Adams appointed the following standing committees:

ON ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

H. S. Goff (165), W. A. Nolan (121), E. A. Kling (140).

FINANCE.

E. W. Durant (1), G. S. Ives (54), R. B. Ware (163), S. L. Frazer (186), James Bennett (54).

JURISPRUDENCE.

Past Grand Masters H. R. Wells, C. Griswold, H. R. Denny, A. T. Stebbins, G. S. Ives.

ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

A. Brandenburg (99), C. W. Nash (35), S. E. Adams (19), J. D. Markham (164), C. L. West (39).

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Chas. G. Hinds (44), W. C. Odell (151), Wm. Dunbrack (109), Hugh R. Burgo (186), C. D. Gould (224).

APPROPRIATIONS.

S. S. Kilvington (237), W. B. Patton (79), A. M. Hayes (35).

LODGES U. D.

A. D. Countryman (137), Geo. H. Vivian (197), F. L. Gowen (2).

PAY ROLL.

D. W. Knowlton (112), A. F. Pray (19), E. H. Sherwin (16).

EXAMINATION OF VISITORS.

I. B. B. Sprague (5), Hugh A. Burns (229).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Edgar Nash (112), Harvey Hawley (101), Peter Sharpe (154).

Grand Master Adams then read the following

## ADDRESS.

*Brethren of the Grand Lodge:*

> "On the road of life, one milestone more!
> In the book of life, one page turned o'er!
> Like a red seal, is the setting sun
> On the good and the evil we have done."

Another poem in time's perpetual calendar is written, and you have gathered here to review the work of the year, renew friendships, elect officers and become more deeply inspired with hope for the future. These annual gatherings should be the fountains from which we should drink inspiration,—they should be the milestones in our Masonic history.

As your Grand Master, I extend to you a cordial and fraternal welcome. I congratulate you who have been fortunate enough to have attended this Grand Lodge heretofore, and you who are here for the first time upon your preferment. I welcome you one and all as representatives of the 239 Lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction, sent

here to participate in the deliberations and share in the responsibilities of this, our fifty-first annual communication. Brethren, we should rejoice that we are members of the noblest fraternity that the Supreme Grand Master ever permitted the genius and wisdom of man to create. "Through the savagery and ignorance of antiquity—through the darkness and bigotry of the middle ages—through calumny and aspersion—brave hearts have protected the secrets of our fraternity, cultivated the graces of a noble and lasting friendship, contributed to the highest ideals of honor and to the development of the sublimest qualities of the human soul." "Through all the vicissitudes of time, the tenets of our order have been guarded, preserved and handed down to this generation in all their ancient glory and perfection." I should rejoice if I could say something upon this occasion that would implant Masonry more deeply in our hearts; that would unfold clearer visions of its beauty and its grandeur; that would lead us more fully to embrace its privileges, patronize its assemblies and study its teachings. It has been said of Freemasonry that

"It is a beautiful system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols."

"It is a system of human culture, of willing obedience and rightful rule."

"It is a system of jurisprudence more noble than Roman law or Grecian ethics."

"It is a social and universal Brotherhood; broad, generous, charitable, profoundly human in its works, wise in its doctrines, it has written its history in the best deeds and largest ideals of all nations."

Masonry in its highest sense is Brotherhood; Brotherhood in its highest sense is Love; Love in its highest sense is the Spirit of God, for God is Love. Hence Masonry is the search after light, after right, after truth, after God. It summons us,

> "To that cathedral, boundless as our wonder,
> Whose quenchless lamps the sun and moon supply;
> Its choir the wind and waves, its organ thunder,
> Its dome the sky."

What does Freemasonry teach? The first lesson we are taught is to be a good man and true. To subdue the passions, act upon the square, keep a tongue of good report, maintain secrecy and practice charity. It teaches us to obey the laws of the country in which we live; to be agents, not of revolution but of evolution; to strive to reform humanity by persuasion and enlightenment, and teaches that the ideal Republic is a Democracy or Brotherhood,—"a government of the people, for the people and by the people." Hence tyrants and autocrats, political and ecclesiastical, in all ages have been bitter foes of Masonry.

It teaches not only the "Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man," but the Immortality of the Soul,—that belief which honors God and comforts man, that belief which explains the past, blesses the present and brightens the future. The poet gave voice to the teachings of Masonry when he said:

"The timely hand stretched forth to aid
A brother in his need,
The kindly word in grief's dark hour
That proved the friend indeed,
The plea of mercy softly breathed
When justice threatens nigh,
The sorrow of a contrite heart,
These things can never die."

## NECROLOGY.

"What is life? 'Tis a beautiful shell
Thrown up by eternity's flow
On time's bank of quicksand to dwell,
And a moment its lovingness show.
Gone back to its element grand
Is the billow that washed it ashore!
See! another now washes the strand
And the beautiful shell is no more."

In the year that has passed 259 of our beloved brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction have wandered upon the shell-lined beach and drunk in the music of the waves that break upon eternity's shore. Of those who have gone before the poet has said:

"You crossed the threshold and the door swung to.
All we had said about the life that side
Comes back to us. The knowledge came to you
Of what life really is beyond the tide.
We envy you. You woke to find the earth
Had passed away! and now you understand
Why we must wait here, to know the truth
Of birth and death in yon strange land."

Brethren, arise, and reverently listen while I recall the names of the permanent members of this Grand Lodge

"Who have wandered into an unknown land
And left us thinking how very fair
It must be since they linger there."

Royal Hatch Gove, Past Grand Master.
William Tuttle Rigby, Past Deputy Grand Master.

The following notice of M.·. W.·. Bro. Gove's death was issued to the lodges.

GRAND LODGE OF A.·. F.·. & A.·. M.·. OF MINNESOTA.
OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER.
Minneapolis, March 4, 1903.

*To the Masonic Craft of Minnesota and Elsewhere:*

Death has again invaded our Grand Lodge Circle and has taken from among us, after a long and useful life, a brother whose personality was felt and respected wherever known.

M.·. W.·. ROYAL HATCH GOVE, Past Grand Master,

was born Jan. 16, 1830, at Strafford, Vt., and died at Rochester, Minn., Feb. 28, 1903, aged over 73 years.

His remains were followed to the cemetery by the members of the Lodge he had served so long, the Grand Master officiating at the church and grave, the Grand Secretary acting as Grand Marshal.

Brother Gove received an academic education in Vermont and New Hampshire. He taught school and followed other pursuits for several years, meantime studying law. He practiced law at Kilbourne, Wis., from 1856 to 1864, when he removed to Rochester. His health being poor, he was employed as grain buyer for a time, resuming his law practice in 1873, being for seven years the law partner of Richard A. Jones, afterwards Chief Justice of Washington territory. He was city justice, assessor and attorney. He was married August 21, 1851, to Nancy A. Farnham, of Vermont, by whom he had nine children; five of them, with Mrs. Gove, are still living. He has been a consistent member of the Presbyterian church since January 14, 1866.

He received the first three degrees of Masonry in Rochester Lodge, No. 21, in June and July, 1865, and the capitular degrees the same year in Halcyon Chapter, No. 8. He was created a K. T. April 13, 1866, in Cœur de Lion Commandery, No. 3, Winona, and became a charter member of Home, No. 5, at Rochester, in 1868. He was Master, High Priest, and Commander, for several terms. He also received the degrees of Royal and Select Master, and all the degrees of the Scottish Rite.

He was highly honored in Grand Lodge, being Junior Grand Warden in 1881 and 1882; Senior Grand Warden in 1883; Deputy Grand Master in 1884 and 1885, and Grand Master in 1886.

Mental and bodily infirmities necessitated his retirement from business for the past two or three years. His death was therefore not unexpected, but none the less his brethren mourn. A good man and eminent Mason has been called hence. May we who survive

emulate his virtues, and, after many years of service for God and humanity, receive at the close of life the reward promised to those who are true and faithful to the end.

(Seal)

HENRY R. ADAMS,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:

THOS. MONTGOMERY,
*Grand Secretary.*

WILLIAM TUTTLE RIGBY, Past Deputy Grand Master, was born at Oxford, N. Y., September 14, 1824, and died at Clear Water, Minn., April 22, 1903. His early life was spent upon a farm, close to the breast of mother nature, and from that breast he drew the nourishment that gives to life stability and character. At sixteen he entered an academy. At nineteen he began teaching. At twenty he went to Michigan, where he taught several terms. He was there when its capital was moved from Detroit to Lansing. He returned to New York in the early fifties and engaged in mercantile business in the village of Corning. There he married, on November 1, 1855, Miss Susan Pearce, who still survives him. He came to Minnesota in 1856, spent one year in Minneapolis, and then moved to Clear Water and resided in that place until his death. He was honored by his constituents by a seat in the legislature, and was a justice of the peace for a quarter of a century. He was made a Mason in Lansing Lodge, Michigan, in 1849, and was appointed Senior Deacon in Painted Post Lodge, No. 117, of Corning, N. Y., in March, 1851, and it was in that Lodge, while Brother Rigby was Senior Deacon, that he conducted through the Masonic degrees our illustrious Father A. T. C. Pierson, who was Grand Master of this jurisdiction for eight consecutive years. In September, 1858, he took his ox team, and, armed with a petition signed by eight Masons, he traveled 78 miles to our "Grand Masonic East" for a dispensation to form a lodge at Clear Water. Father Pierson was then Grand Master, and the dispensation was granted. It is stated that from that time until his death, Brother Rigby never missed but a few Lodge meetings. He was the first Master of Clear Water Lodge, and served in that capacity many years. He was a Royal Arch Mason, being a member of St. Cloud Chapter, No. 46, of St. Cloud, Minn. He was a member of this Grand Lodge for forty years, serving on many of the important committees. He was elected Junior Grand Warden in 1863 and Deputy Grand Master in 1866. No man surpassed him in his love and zeal for our institution. He treasured the jewels of modesty, charity, liberty and love, he was content with the endeavor to "wear the flower of a blameless life," and so his life was full of real worth and usefulness. He was a kind father, loving husband, accommodating neighbor and a true,

upright man and Mason. On April the 22nd, his remains were followed to the cemetery by the members of the Lodge he served so long, your Grand Master officiating at the house and grave, and the Grand Secretary acting as Grand Marshal.

"Life's labor done,
Serenely to his final rest he passed,
While the soft memories of his virtues yet
Linger, like sunlight hues when
That bright orb has passed."

The Death Angel has visited our sister jurisdictions, and they have been called upon to mourn the loss of the following distinguished brethren:

*Alabama*—M.·. W.·. Henry Hart Brown, Past Grand Master, died January 9, 1903.

*Arizona*—R.·. W.·. John Y. T. Smith, Past Deputy Grand Master, died July 15, 1903. M.·. W.·. Geo. W. Cheyney, Past Grand Master, died August 14, 1903.

*Canada*—R.·. W.·. John J. Mason, Grand Secretary, died June 15, 1903.

*Cuba*—M.·. W.·. Alvarez Y. Gonzales, Past Grand Master, died October 14, 1903.

*Connecticut*—M.·. W.·. Eli Sanford Quintard, Past Grand Master, died March 15, 1903. M.·. W.·. Wm. W. Lee, Past Grand Master, died September 14, 1903. M.·. W.·. John W. Mix, Past Grand Master, died October 12, 1903.

*Colorado*—M.·. W.·. Pelham Holmes Bromwell, Past Grand Master, died January 9, 1903. M.·. W.·. Roger Williams Woodbury, Past Grand Master, died July 11, 1903.

*District of Columbia*—M.·. W.·. Noble Danforth Larner, Past Grand Master, died March 19, 1903.

*Florida*—R.·. W.·. Warren Tyler, Junior Grand Warden, died December 21, 1903.

*Georgia*—M.·. W.·. James M .Mobley, Past Grand Master, died May 9, 1903.

*Kansas*—M.·. W.·. William D. Thompson, Past Grand Master, died March 5, 1903.

*Kentucky*—M.·. W.·. James W. Staton, Past Grand Master, died June 27, 1903.

*Maine*—R.·. W.·. Thaddeus R. Simonton, Past Senior Grand Warden, died April 30, 1903. M.·. W.·. Winfield S. Choate, Past Grand Master, died June 27, 1903.

*Maryland*—M.·. W.·. Chas. H. Ohr, Past Grand Master, died March 3, 1903.

*Michigan*—R.·. W.·. Jefferson S. Conover, Grand Secretary, died April 5, 1903. M.·. W.·. George H. Durand, Past Grand Master, died June 8, 1903.

*Mississippi*—M.·. W.·. John Lloyd Spinks, Past Grand Master, April 25, 1903.

*Missouri*—M.·. W.·. John Campbell Yocum, Past Grand Master, died April 26, 1903.

*Montana*—M.·. W.·. Chas. H. Gould, Past Grand Master, died June 5, 1903. M.·. W.·. Samuel Word, Past Grand Master, died September 24, 1903.

*Oregon*—R.·. W.·. Francis Henry Alliston, Grand Treasurer, died March 1, 1903.

*Pennsylvania*—R.·. W.·. Michael Arnold, Past Grand Master, died April 24, 1903. R.·. W.·. Samuel C. Perkins, Past Grand Master, died April 25, 1903.

*Rhode Island*—M.·. W.·. Stillman White. Past Grand Master, died April 3, 1903. R.·. W.·. John Myers, Past Junior Grand Warden, died February 26, 1903.

*Tennessee*—M.·. W.·. Bun F. Price, Past Grand Master, died May 4, 1903.

*Wyoming*—M.·. W.·. De Farest Richards, Past Grand Master, died April 28, 1903.

"Sleep on! Ye dead, and when at last
That sleep shall be our portion too,
May Brothers, calling up the past,
Speak well of us as we of you.
Then sweetly sleep 'neath hallowed sod,
Awaiting there in peaceful rest
The promise of a gracious God,
That all shall meet among the blest."

## MASONIC FUNERALS.

I have conducted four funerals aside from those of Grand Lodge members, namely, those of:—

Bro. Daniel Gray, at Elk River, May 21st.

Bro. W. L. Snow. at Minneapolis, August 28th.

Bro. John M. Maloy, at Minneapolis, September 20th, and

Bro. William Pitt Barnett, at Monticello, October 18th.

The debt of Nature must be paid, and as we near the portal we are comforted by the thought that loving hands will bear us to our final resting place and our Brethren will cast the flowers of their love and the sprig of acacia, emblem of eternal hope, upon our pulseless breast. It is important, then, that the service should be well rendered and well attended.

The love of the departed so affected our Aryan brethren that whole tribes went to the seashore in the observance of their funeral rites. They honored the bodies of their Brethren by placing them on boats and, setting fire thereto, sent them out upon the sea. Then

by ocean's side they chanted requiems as they watched their loved ones float away with sail of flame—into the mist-mantled bosom of the deep. In that rite they gave their love and surrounded their Brothers with the splendor of a departing ovation as a prophecy of future honors in the paradise beyond. May it be ours to profit by that rite, faith and love. The last opportunity we have to show our respect and love for a Brother is at his funeral. To his memory we owe our presence there. To the cause of Masonry we owe our presence there. In the year to come let us make it our Masonic and religious *duty* to attend the funeral of our Masonic Brothers. Thus will we convince the world that we are what we profess to be, for a brother attends the funeral of his brother.

## LODGES CONSTITUTED.

At the last session of this Grand Lodge, you ordered charters issued to eleven new lodges, and I now report that proxies were appointed and said lodges constituted, and their officers installed, as follows:—

Wabasso, No. 245, at Wabasso, April 1st, and Fides, No. 246, at Sanborn, March 20th, by W.·. Bro. Richard Morton.

Morality, No. 247, at Hendricks, May 23d, by W.·. Bro. W. A. Hawkins.

Raymond, No. 248, at Raymond, March 13th, by W.·. Bro. Russell Spicer.

Barto, No. 249, at Echo, April 7th, by W.·. Bro. W. R. Caswell, District Deputy Grand Master.

Lakefield, No. 250, at Lakefield, March 26th, by W.·. Bro. Wm. W. Wold, District Deputy Grand Master.

McKinley, No. 251, at Tyler, May 19th, by W.·. Bro. W. A. Hawkins.

Morton, No. 252, at Morton, March 5th, by W.·. Bro. Joseph H. Johnson, Senior Grand Deacon.

Dexter, No. 253, at Dexter, April 9th, by W.·. Bro. W. A. Nolan, District Deputy Grand Master.

Lake Park, No. 254, at Lake Park, March 18th, by W.·. Bro. Casper Wackman.

Mesaba, No. 255, at Hibbing, May 28th, by R.·. W.·. W. A. McGonagle, Deputy Grand Master.

Full and complete reports were made by the above named proxies, and are now on file in the office of the Grand Secretary.

From those reports, I judge that this Grand Lodge made no mistake in adding these new lights to our Masonic firmament.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

Various requests have come to the Grand East for dispensations to organize Lodges, only three of which I have granted, viz.:

On March 5, 1903, to various Brethren at Hawley, Clay county, to form a Lodge, under the name of Hawley Lodge, U.·. D.·., with Bro. J. Ransom Hall as Worshipful Master, Bro. Francis M. Higgins as Senior Warden, and Bro. A. H. Bey as Junior Warden.

On April 8, 1903, to various Brethren at North St. Paul, to form a Lodge, under the name of Fellowship Lodge, U.·. D.·., with Bro. Lucius M. Stevens as Worshipful Master, Bro. Clement Donley as Senior Warden, and Bro. John W. Herrick as Junior Warden.

On June 4, 1903, to various Brethren at St. Paul to form a Lodge under the name of Montgomery Lodge, U.·. D.·., with Bro. Chas. W. Hill as Worshipful Master, Bro. Arthur W. Whitney as Senior Warden, and Bro. James B. Pearson as Junior Warden.

These lodges have given evidence of their proficiency in the work, and their reports will be placed with the Committee on Lodges U.·. D.·.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

I have had the honor to commission the following named Brethren to represent this Grand Lodge near their Grand Lodges, to-wit:

Maryland—Samuel B. Sexton.

Tennessee—M. R. Goans.

The following Brethren have been commissioned as Grand Representatives near this Grand Lodge:

Indian Territory—John M. Rowley.

Maine—Henry R. Adams.

New Brunswick—Thomas Morris.

Ohio—Wm. A. McGonagle.

Quebec—Samuel S. Kilvington.

Utah—Henry M. Tusler.

We are in cordial and fraternal relations with our Grand Sister Jurisdictions. And whoever may desire a broader knowledge of Masonry, let him read the report of your Committee on Foreign Correspondence. Those committees in our Grand Lodges are among the brightest men in the Fraternity. They are the men who "know the compass and chart of Masonry, and keep us to our ancient and traditional moorings;" they are the "writers and thinkers who give stability to our Masonic character and lend a charm to our Masonic literature." Any Brother who familiarizes himself with those reports will be an authority in his Lodge on Masonic ethics and jurisprudence.

In this connection I want to call your attention to the records of the Masonic Veteran Association, printed in the appendix of our

proceedings. The members of that association are our Masonic pioneers, the founders of the order in this jurisdiction, and while yet in the land of the living they are recording and publishing the early records of our Masonic life.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

At the last session of this Grand Lodge "the whole subject of District Deputies was referred to the incoming Grand Master for investigation and report at the next annual communication."

In compliance with that instruction, having called to my assistance W.'. Bro. S. L. Frazer, District Deputy Grand Master of the Third District for seven years, and others, I would submit the following:

M.'. W.'. Grand Master Countryman in his annual address last year truly said "the office of District Deputy is one of high honor and should only be accepted by those who will attend to its duties."

This should be impressed upon the mind of each Deputy. It is the starting point in making an effective and efficient corps of Deputies. That *high honor* has not been sufficiently appreciated by the Lodges, Deputies or this Grand Lodge.

The District Deputies are the *direct* and *established* representatives of the Grand Master and this Grand Lodge; they are "the means by which we keep in touch with the Craft," and the responsibility of seeing our laws, rules and edicts carried out rests largely upon them. Therefore, in order that they may be properly posted in their duties, and the Grand Master enabled to see, consult and instruct them, they should be required to attend this Grand Lodge. M.'. W.'. Grand Master Stebbins, in his address in 1899, said: "District Deputies are the arteries through which flow the life's blood of our institution." And again, in 1900, he said "this Grand Lodge should in some manner give greater recognition to the position" (referring to District Deputies).

They, I believe, should be in fact, as well as in name, officers of this Grand Lodge and paid mileage and per diem.

Such a deserved recognition would increase their interest, knowledge and usefulness. The ripened wisdom of experience has led some of our Sister Jurisdictions to adopt such a system.

Based on the present list of Deputies, the total expense would be as follows: Mileage for 34 Deputies, $139.90; per diem, $204.00; total, $343.90, an insignificant sum when compared to the benefits which would accrue to the Lodges in general and this Grand Lodge in particular.

Grand Master Countryman, in his address before this Grand Lodge, advocated the publishing of the reports of the District Deputies, and M.'. W.'. Grand Master Ives, in his address in 1902, said:

"Some of these reports are excellent * * * and include many valuable suggestions." Deputies' reports are published in Florida, Maine, Manitoba, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, and in other jurisdictions. In the report of the Committee on District Deputies before this Grand Lodge in 1900, under Section No. 2, I find the following language: "which report shall be submitted to the Grand Lodge, and sections from it, under the direction of the Grand Master, published in the Grand Lodge proceedings." Action on this report was delayed until 1901, when the Committee on District Deputies and Custodians reported as follows, under section 1: "We believe the amended report as printed in last year's proceedings codifies the existing laws in excellent shape." Some claim that the adoption of that report gives the Grand Master authority to order the publication of the Deputies' reports in the Grand Lodge proceedings. But as my predecessors have hesitated to establish the precedent, I also prefer to await definite action by this Grand Lodge.

For a number of years my predecessors in the Grand East have called the attention of the Lodges to their neglect to pay the expenses of the deputies. Lodges should be required to pay the actual expense incurred by Deputies in their official visitation. The Deputy should notify the Lodge one meeting prior to his visit. The Secretary should give that notice to each member of the lodge. The Worshipful Master or a committee should meet the Deputy at the train and his accommodation and actual expenses should be provided for.

To sum up this subject, I would suggest:

First—The appointment of Deputies who have the ability and desire to perform the duties of the office, irrespective of rotation by Lodges.

Second—The attendance and recognition of Deputies at the sessions of this Grand Lodge, and the payment of their mileage and per diem.

Third—The publication of their reports, or sections therefrom as the Grand Master may deem best, in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

Fourth—The payment of the Deputies' expenses by the Lodge visited.

## CLANDESTINE LODGES.

In some of the Masonic Jurisdictions of our Republic there are not only Clandestine Lodges, but Clandestine Grand Lodges. I do not refer to the Lodges of Colored Masons, "and the utmost care is necessary to guard against these, not only against admission of their members as visitors, but also against receiving dimits for affiliations from them." During the past year the Grand Master of Illinois has

found it necessary to issue a circular letter, warning the Brethren of that Jurisdiction against these clandestine Masons.

The Grand Master of Iowa, in his address, says: "Against these dupes, or others who may seek knowingly to impose upon us, our doors should be carefully guarded."

I would urge upon the Masters and Wardens here assembled to require from visitors the production of a duly executed diploma or receipt for dues before the usual examination. The adoption of such a requirement by this Grand Lodge, if for no other reason, would make the membership more punctual in the payment of dues.

During the past week I have received information of the publishing of a book by the Manager of the American Tyler, giving the name, number, location and the names of the principal officers of every regular Lodge in the United States. It will also give the names of the officers and statistics of grand Lodges. This information will be authentic, being taken from the reports of the Grand Secretaries. This book, or a list of Clandestine Lodges, should be furnished to every Lodge in the jurisdiction.

Clandestine Masonry concerns every Grand Lodge. Let us take precautions to keep from our doors these cowans, eavesdroppers and impostors.

## WAIVING JURISDICTION.

In 1902, M.·. W.·. Grand Master Ives brought to the attention of the Grand Lodge an official communication from the Grand Secretary of North Dakota, as follows:

"Reciprocity of Jurisdiction—Minnesota. Any resident of this state who shall reside nearer a constituted Lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction of the state of Minnesota than one of the Jurisdictions of North Dakota, may petition, and, if elected, be received in such nearest Lodge and become a member thereof the same as if he lived in the said state of Minnesota. *Provided*, that this section shall not be in force or of any effect whatever until the Grand Lodge of the State of Minnesota shall adopt a by-law reciprocating in allowing residents of its jurisdiction, residing nearer Lodges of the State of North Dakota than its own, to become members of Lodges in North Dakota in like manner."

In the year that has passed, a fraternal correspondence has passed between M.·. W.·. Grand Master W. L. Stockwell of North Dakota and myself, caused by slight friction between Lodges of our jurisdictions.

In Grand Master Stockwell's communication of March 21st he says: "I am reminded, however, of the fact that the question of reciprocity was before the Grand Lodges of our states not many years ago, and while North Dakota gave consent, Minnesota refused.

It would appear that had we such reciprocity of jurisdiction, such a case as this would never come up for settlement." And again, in his communication of April 1st, he says: "I wish it were possible for the Grand Lodge of Minnesota to see its way clear to grant reciprocal jurisdiction along the boundary line between our state and yours." This same question has arisen between us and the Grand Jurisdiction of Iowa.

M.·. W.·. Grand Master Chas. C. Clark of Iowa, in his communication of December 21st, after speaking of the complaint in question, said: "Our Grand Lodge adopted a section in reference to this matter, which reads as follows: 'Where a contiguous Grand Jurisdiction has, or shall, enact a like provision as to this jurisdiction, and shall give reciprocal concurrence hereto, a Subordinate Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction may receive the petition of a resident of such Grand Jurisdiction for membership, either by affiliation or petition for the degrees, in any case where the petitioner resides nearer to the Subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction than to the Lodge in the jurisdiction of his residence, and in all cases of such reciprocal enactments, the same right is extended to such jurisdiction as to residents of this jurisdiction.'" Again in the same communication he says: "It seems to me that the spirit of Masonry should be universal and ought not of necessity be bounded by state lines in matters of this kind; and where the craft at large will be benefited it seems to me that as to jurisdictional matters of membership the state line ought to be wiped out and the matter made a question simply of distance from the particular Lodge."

"I see that your Grand Lodge session occurs the third Wednesday in January, and I shall be very glad if you can, or will, in some way present the matter to your Grand Lodge for appropriate action."

I am aware of the action of this Grand Lodge in opposition to the idea of reciprocity in the repeated adoption of the reports of your Committee on Jurisprudence. And yet you will approve, I doubt not, the time consumed in presenting the views of these Most Worshipful Grand Masters of our Sister Jurisdictions upon this subject, and will give careful consideration to the arguments they have presented in favor of reciprocal action.

## DECISIONS, DISPENSATIONS AND BY-LAWS APPROVED.

Numerous questions have been submitted for decision during my official year. Those of importance have been answered by referring the writer to the law laid down in our Masonic Code. I will not take up your time by including them in this address.

Dispensations have been granted upon all proper occasions, and refused when they were not in accord with our Masonic Law. I have approved the revised and amended by-laws of Lodges when they

complied with our laws and regulations. Fully a third of the letters received by the Grand Master need never have been written if the brothers had carefully examined our Masonic Code.

## VISITATIONS.

I have visited as many Lodges as my time and business would permit. I have been received with marked courtesy, kind hospitality, brotherly love and with all the honors due the position of Grand Master. In return I have given Lodges and the brethren my best endeavors. Nothing in my administration has afforded me more pleasure than these visitations, and I shall treasure them while memory lasts. They all deserve special attention, but time will not permit.

> "Earth's transitory things decay;
> Its pomps, its pleasures, pass away;
> But the sweet memory of the good
> Survives in life's vicissitudes."

## DUTY AND CHARITY.

Sometime in April my attention was called to the physical condition of one of our permanent members.

Being extremely busy at the time, I called W.·. Bro. Joseph H. Johnson, Senior Grand Deacon, and asked him to make investigation and report. He did so immediately, and reported that in a small room, on the fourth floor of an office building, with his limbs swollen twice their natural size, sat said brother without food, bed or care. I immediately ordered the Senior Grand Deacon to see that he was provided for. He was taken to the Russell Coffee House, a nurse and doctor secured, and everything done for him that it was possible to do. He remained in this location for a longer period of time than I expected. And when the bills were presented I was astounded to learn that under our Constitution your Grand Master was prohibited from drawing for any emergency case whatsoever more than $50. The nurse's bill alone was $60. She needed her money, and at my earnest solicitation the Grand Secretary drew a warrant for that amount, which the Grand Treasurer honored. The first bill presented by the Russell Coffee House was for $146.30. This they demanded, and the same was paid by our Senior Grand Deacon, Brother Johnson. I went before my own Lodge, Minnesota, No. 224, and asked them to advance that amount for me to Brother Johnson, which they did.

The second and last bill of the Russell Coffee House was for $42.15. This was paid by Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 35, at Hastings. The doctor's bill of $52, including medicine, has never been paid.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, sent me word that I could draw, as Grand Master, upon them for any amount which I might deem necessary for charity work. In your presence, I thank the above named Lodges for courtesy extended. I have asked Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, to exemplify the Master Mason's degree before you to-night. I hereby recommend that this Grand Lodge refund to Minnesota Lodge, No. 224, $146.30, and to Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 35, $42.15, and that the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay Dr. Bevens' bill of $52. Thus will we trace upon our trestle board the practical exemplification of the greatest tenet of our order. And this brings me to the subject of our

MASONIC HOME.

At the last annual communication the Committee on Masonic Home reported as follows:

"Your committee, therefore, recommend that the whole matter be postponed until our next annual communication, and that a committee of three be appointed to investigate and consider the question in all its bearings during the interval by correspondence with other jurisdictions and otherwise, and to prepare a circular letter to the Lodges calling attention to the matter and asking for definite answers to the questions of the needs of each locality for the benefits of such home, whether for aged Masons, their wives or orphans," etc. In conformity with that report, I appointed W.'. Bro. W. P. Roberts (4), Past Grand Master A. D. Countryman and E. H. Sherwin (16). They will present their report at this session. I do not desire to trespass upon their work, and yet I cannot refrain from saying that, in my opinion, the *thought* has not been given the subject by the Lodges which it demands. On Monday morning of this week only 145 Lodges had reported on the blanks sent out by the committee. Do we need a Masonic Home? Fifty-four Lodges responded, Yes! and 91 Lodges, No! It would seem, then, that you still desire to dispense charity through the medium of the individual Lodge. That was the early history of the craft, and is still the usual method. But Masonry is a progressive science, and so there came into existence Masonic Relief Associations, through whose careful and scrutinizing methods meritorious brethren, their wives, widows and orphans have received assistance. Our great tenet, Charity, like leaven, is moving the hearts of the fraternity towards the establishment and endowment of permanent Masonic Homes.

The Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, and the Masonic Institution for Deranged Masons

in London, are the pride and glory of the English Craft. Our country has caught the spirit, and nineteen of our Sister Jurisdictions have erected or started Masonic Homes. It is only a question of time when we also shall catch the music of a Masonic "Home, Sweet Home." When "The blood of the rose shall come into our lives," and we shall experience anew that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

In December I sent three copies of Christmas Greetings to each Lodge in the jurisdiction as follows:

Grand Lodge of A.·. F.·. & A.·. M.·. of Minnesota.

OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER.

Dear Brethren: At Christmas time may the sweetest gifts, both material and spiritual, be your portion.

May the kindest of kind thoughts travel from heart to heart, and in their passing fill your sphere with gladness.

"May stores of pure affection come along with Santa Claus' sleigh, and good wishes with gifts galore."

May the precious vines of "Brotherly Love" stretch their beautiful tendrils out into the sunnny places of your lives and lift you heavenward into God's Light and Love.

Be glad and merry, and remember that "Love is the enraptured fountain of kindness."

Give with open hand, royally and freely, and with your gifts send your love—a part of yourself.

"Give as the morning that flows out of heaven,
Give as the waves when their channel is riven;
Give as the air and the sunshine are given,
Lavishly, utterly, carelessly give.

Not the waste drops of thy cup overflowing,
Not the faint sparks of thy hearth's evening glowing;
Not a pale bud from the June's roses blowing—
Give as He gave thee, who gave thee to live!"

"Give, and gifts above all price
Shall be thine in Paradise."

Give with generous heart and you will be happy. The wish to share with others brings a sweet sense of the Brotherhood—one's kinship with the world. This feeling holds throughout the year—truth is always truth—but at Christmas time it seems to have a holier significance—"A Christmas gift is like no other gift in all the world."

There is an enhanced preciousness about a gift received upon the birthday of our Lord, our Brother, the gentle Nazarene.

Remember that the love of children inspires an interest in all humanity, and good actions are the invisible hinges on the doors of heaven.

Draw near to the fire Christmas Eve. "Hold merry counsel till the 'sand man' comes, and the bright eyes of the little ones drop under his touch; and when the wee ones are safely afloat upon the sea of a delicious drowsiness that rocks them across its waves to the shores of Slumberland, give the signal to waiting Santa Claus, and aid him in his quiet, beautiful, magical task."

And while your hands are busy, lift up your hearts and voices and sing with the morning stars,

"Glory to God in the highest! Peace on earth—peace and good will—Good will to men."

Fraternally,

H. R. ADAMS,
*Grand Master.*

CONCLUSION.

To the officers of this Grand Lodge who, by their zeal, devotion and faithful discharge of duty, "have demonstrated the fitness of their selection," I am under lasting obligations. Especially am I deeply indebted to our R.·. W.·. Grand Secretary, who has ever been ready to assist me with his counsel and advice. I shall ever hold in affectionate remembrance my association with these officers, and shall endeavor so to conduct myself as to retain their friendship during the remainder of life's pilgrimage.

Brethren, as your Grand Master my work will soon be done. On account of our semi-centennial the year has been but eleven months long, but a pleasant one. Its record is in your hands, and I return to you at this session the square and gavel. One I have proudly worn, the other I have wielded conscientiously. Truly, Brethren, I have endeavored to discharge the duties of this office with a sincere desire to promote the best interests of the craft. In the language of another, "I acknowledge myself to be under lasting obligations to my Brethren for kindly consideration, obligations which seem impossible for me to repay, but which I will ever treasure in grateful and affectionate remembrance. I shall be satisfied if my sincere devotion to your interests meets your approval. I shall always be deeply interested in your welfare, always willing and anxious to render to my successors any service that I can give."

May our deliberations at this session be peaceful and harmonious, and tend to the lasting benefit of the fraternity.

May the Supreme Grand Master "cause His face to shine" upon the Lodges of Minnesota, Lodges erected to Him and doing, let us hope, His work among the children of men.

HENRY R. ADAMS,
*Grand Master.*

The address was referred to the Committee on Grand Master's Address for division and reference.

The following, offered by Past Grand Master H. R. Wells, was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

WHEREAS, It is a most commendable duty and practice for Masons to suitably recognize meritorious services to the craft; and,

WHEREAS, W.·. Bro. George Reuben Metcalf (3) has given eminent service to Masonry and to this Grand Lodge; and,

WHEREAS, He was the organizer, and for ten years President of the "Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota," which contributes so largely to the enjoyment of our veteran Masons, and which through his learned and brilliant administration has made this Grand Lodge better known, especially its history and that of its deceased members, through its biographical sketches; and,

WHEREAS, It was largely through his personal efforts that the semi-centennial anniversary of this Grand Lodge was so successfully carried out, and the complete history of its organization, as well as the biographies of its founders and Past Grand Masters prepared, as given in his address, requiring months of most arduous research to accomplish; therefore,

*Resolved*, That as a merited and just recognition of the eminent services to the craft of Bro. George Reuben Metcalf, and as a tribute to his worth as a Mason, that Sec. 63 of the General Regulations of this Grand Lodge be amended, so as to provide that said Bro. Metcalf be made a permanent member of this Grand Lodge, entitled to all the privileges of such membership, and further that a portrait of said brother, with a biographical sketch of his life, be published in the proceedings of this session.

W.·. Bro. John C. Bennett, Grand Orator, then delivered an interesting oration, holding his audience spellbound for over half an hour. He was requested to furnish said oration for publication in our proceedings (see Appendix).

## REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

*Brethren of the Grand Lodge:*

I herewith submit my report as Grand Treasurer for the term commencing Feb. 25, 1903, and ending Jan. 20, 1904.

GENERAL FUND.

*Receipts.*

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| 1903. | | |
| Feb. 25. | Cash on hand as per last report | $13,381.45 |
| Nov. 3. | Six months' interest from Minnesota Loan and Trust Co. on $4,000 | 70.00 |
| 1904. | | |
| Jan. 7. | Cash received from Grand Secretary | 8,000.00 |
| Jan. 20. | Cash received from Grand Secretary | 3,502.55 |
| | Total receipts | $24,954.00 |

*Disbursements.*

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| No. | Cash paid since Feb. 25, 1903, on the following orders: | |
| 49 | —Of last year. Pioneer Press Co., printing | $63.85 |
| 50 | —Of last year. Rich & Clymer, printing | 9.50 |
| 1 | —A. D. Countryman, Grand Master's expenses | 450.00 |
| 2 | —Grand Secretary, contingent expenses, $225; rent, $120; two assistants, $25 | 370.00 |
| 3 | —Chas. J. Kruger, Grand Tyler | 25.00 |
| 4 | —Irving Todd, report on correspondence | 100.00 |
| 5 | —Board of Custodians, mileage and per diem | 108.78 |
| 6 | —Fred L. Gray, premium on $10,000 bond of Grand Treasurer | 30.00 |
| 7 | —Balance semi-centennial appropriation | 250.00 |
| 8 | —Floral tribute, etc., funeral R. H. Gove | 19.75 |
| 9 | —Lodge No. 8, for relief of Bro. R. B. Kellogg | 75.00 |
| 10 | —Lodge No. 21, for M. J. Burroughs, $50; Mrs. C. Atherton, $50 | 100.00 |
| 11 | —Lodge No. 28, for Mrs. Norman Nugent | 50.00 |
| 12 | —Lodge No. 34, for Mrs. H. H. Manning | 100.00 |
| 13 | —Lodge No. 36, for Bro. J. S. Benedict | 100.00 |
| 14 | —Lodge No. 39, for Mrs. Hattie Cook | 50.00 |
| 15 | —Lodge No. 62, for Bro. J. R. Ames | 100.00 |
| 16 | —Lodge No. 78, for Mrs. W. B. Mitchell | 50.00 |
| 17 | —Lodge No. 81, for Bro. J. M. Hurlburt | 50.00 |
| 18 | —Lodge No. 91, for Mrs. David Watson | 100.00 |
| 19 | —Lodge No. 95, for Mrs. P. O. Hawes | 75.00 |
| 20 | —Lodge No. 104, for Mrs. P. A. Odell | 100.00 |
| 21 | —Lodge No. 138, for Bro. L. B. Woolson | 100.00 |
| 22 | —Lodge No. 164, for Bro. Linsey McKee | 100.00 |
| 23 | —Lodge No. 178, for Bro. Wm. Dragoo | 100.00 |
| 24 | —Lodge No. 219, for Bro. A. J. Erickson | 100.00 |
| 25 | —Lodge No. 226, for daughter of R. W. Hissan | 25.00 |

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| 26—Lodge No. 227, for Bro. Per Oyen | 50.00 |
| 27—For needy Masons in Sweden and Finland, $100; Nome, Alaska, $100 | 200.00 |
| 28—Grand Treasurer, for Bro. T. J. Lombard, $200; M. C. Burnside, $50; Mrs. E. C. Pierson, $360 | 610.00 |
| 29—Payroll 1903 | 2,528.35 |
| 30—T. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, salary for January, February, March | 312.50 |
| 31—Chas. Griswold, Custodian | 19.25 |
| 32—Grand Treasurer, for family of late Bro. R. H. Gove | 300.00 |
| 33—1,500 pictures Grand Master Countryman | 48.75 |
| 34—J. H. Sprout, Custodian | 10.14 |
| 35—Insurance premium, Grand Lodge property | 42.00 |
| 36—Chas. Griswold, Custodian | 13.65 |
| 37—H. R. Adams, nurse for C. W. Nash | 60.00 |
| 38—Rich & Clymer, printing | 24.85 |
| 39—T. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, three months' salary | 312.50 |
| 40—T. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, office rent | 120.00 |
| 41—Chas. Griswold, Custodian | 15.00 |
| 42—Pioneer Press Co., on printing | 750.00 |
| 43—T. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, three months' salary | 312.50 |
| 44—L. N. Bryant, insurance | 25.20 |
| 45—T. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, three months' salary | 312.50 |
| Certificate of deposit Minnesota Loan and Trust Co. | 4,000.00 |
| Total disbursements | $12,869.07 |
| Balance cash on hand | 12,084.93 |
| Total | $24,954.00 |

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND

*Receipts.*

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| 1902. | | |
| Feb. 25. | Cash on hand as per last report | $1,070.82 |
| | Interest on Minneapolis city bonds: | |
| | No. 94—$15,000, one year to Oct. 1, 1903 | 600.00 |
| | No. 107—$1,000, one year to Oct. 2, 1903 | 45.00 |
| | No. 108—$2,000, one year to Jan. 1, 1904 | 80.00 |
| | No. 109—$2,000, one year to Jan. 1, 1904 | 80.00 |
| | No. 142—$2,000, one year to Jan. 1, 1904 | 70.00 |
| | No. 213—$2,000, one year to Jan. 1, 1904 | 80.00 |
| | No. 59—$1,000, one year to Jan. 1, 1904, St. Louis County | 40.00 |
| | On 1,000 certificates of deposit Minnesota Loan & Trust Co., six months to Oct. 14, 1903 | 17.50 |
| | Total | $2,083.32 |

*Disbursements.*

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| 1903. | | |
| April 14. | Certificate of deposit Minnesota Loan & Trust Co | $1,000.00 |

*Assets.*

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| 1904. | | |
| Jan. 20. | Bonds as above, par value | $25,000.00 |
| | Certificate of deposit | 1,000.00 |
| | Cash on hand | 1,083.32 |
| | Total in Widows' and Orphans' Fund | $27,083.32 |

RECAPITULATION.

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| On hand Jan. 20, 1904, General Fund | $16,084.93 |
| On hand Jan. 20, 1904, Widows' and Orphans' Fund | 27,083.32 |
| Total | $43,168.25 |

Fraternally submitted,
DAVID W. KNOWLTON,
*Grand Treasurer.*

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

## REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY.

*Brethren of the Grand Lodge:*

With a heart overflowing with gratitude to the Beneficent Author of all Good, for a continuance of partially restored health, I greet you, my beloved brethren, and have the honor to submit herewith my fifteenth annual report as your Grand Secretary.

In doing so I am again pleased to state that our beloved institution has had a prosperous year, so far as increase in members is concerned, although not quite equal to the preceding year. Returns have been received from all the lodges, from which we gather the following information:

Initiated, 1,326; passed, 1,278; raised, 1,298; joined by dimit, 534; restored, 85; total gain, 1,917. Withdrawn, 550; stricken from the roll, 164; suspended, 3; expelled, 5; died 259; total loss, 981. Net

gain, 936. Present membership, 19,474; 155 lodges show a gain, 63 a loss, while 21 stand as before; 17 lodges did no work; 38 raised 10 or more each, including 9, which raised 20 or more, and 3 which raised 30 or more, one raising 50. The 38 lodges above referred to raised 641, or about one-half in the entire jurisdiction.

The proceedings of 1903 were printed and given the usual distribution as soon as practicable after the close of the session. As it was our Golden Jubilee year, extra pains were taken to get out a creditable pamphlet. We hear nothing but words of praise from all portions of the country at the fine appearance of our proceedings, embellished, as they are, with so many portraits, and hearty congratulations on account of having passed the half century of our existence as a Grand Lodge. The proceedings contained a 93-page chronicle of our semi-centennial anniversary exercises, prepared, as were the biographical sketches included therein, by that indefatigable worker, Brother George R. Metcalf, chairman of the committee, a lasting monument to his industry and zeal, meriting the hearty approval and thanks of his brethren of Grand Lodge and of the whole fraternity.

Charters were prepared for the eleven new lodges, Nos. 245 to 255, inclusive, and delivered to the brethren designated by the Grand Master to constitute said lodges. Due reports of said constituting were filed in this office, also lists of officers installed.

The usual commissions were issued to the 34 District Deputies, and report blanks mailed them.

Several commissions of Grand Representatives were issued and received as stated by the Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge Register is fully posted to date, but not including the returns for 1903, just received. It is filled to almost its full capacity. Another will soon be required.

Dispensations have been issued for the formation of three new lodges, as stated by the Grand Master, viz., at Hawley, North St. Paul and St. Paul. These lodges have been actively at work raising, respectively, 12, 10 and 13, and have a right to expect charters to be granted them at this session.

The usual reduced fare has been secured from all the railroads traversing Minnesota on the same terms as last year.

Two appeal cases will be presented for consideration, and one petition for restoration from expulsion.

The funds appropriated last year for the relief of our suffering brethren in Sweden and Alaska were duly forwarded, and grateful acknowledgment of the $100 in each case received.

## FINANCIAL.

The receipts of the year have been as follows: Charter fees, Nos. 245 to 255, inclusive, $275; dispensation fees, three new lodges, $60. Arrears of dues, six lodges, $20.40; relief funds returned unexpended

from Western Star Lodge No. 26, $125, and from Star Lodge No. 62, $12.75. Fees and dues from 242 lodges, $11,009.40, a total of $11,502.55, all of which has been paid the Grand Treasurer.

Orders have been drawn for $1,425 in favor of the Masters of eighteen lodges for relief of 19 persons, and for $910 in favor of the Grand Treasurer for four others, as directed by Grand Lodge. Reports with statements of expenditures and vouchers have been received from 15 Masters. In several instances there are unexpended balances still remaining, besides the amounts returned as above. Forty-five orders have been drawn on the Grand Treasurer for all purposes, aggregating $8,795.72. All bills have been paid except $55.75 for printing, the appropriation of last year proving insufficient, even with the closest economy. Instead of printing 2,000 copies of our Jubilee Proceedings, as authorized, I had 1,500 printed complete, and 500 extra of the Jubilee anniversary only, thus effecting quite a saving, and yet having plenty for all future demands. These included over 60,000 inserts of pictures, which materially increased the expense of the edition.

All my books and papers are ready for inspection.

Once more I wish to record my appreciation of the uniform kindness extended me by the Grand Master, Associate Grand Officers, and all other brethren with whom I have come in official contact. Their encouragement and unmistakable evidence of confidence in your humble servant has gone a long way to lighten the arduous labors connected with the office.

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. MONTGOMERY,
*Grand Secretary.*

Referred to Committee on Finance.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOME.

Bro. Wm. P. Roberts, chairman, read the following report on Masonic Home:

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Minnesota:*

Your Committee on Masonic Home, appointed pursuant to the action of our last Annual Communication, to investigate and consider the question of the necessity and practicability of establishing a Masonic home, in this jurisdiction; to learn by correspondence and otherwise the results of such homes, in other jurisdictions; to communicate by circular with our membership, and learn their views as to the need, and, if any, the kind of a home, as well as such other

information as might seem desirable, and to submit, to this Annual Communication, the results of its investigations and deliberations, reports as follows:

That soon after its appointment, after consultation with each other, letters were sent to all Grand Jurisdictions in which homes were known to exist, as well as to others, it was uncertain about, asking the character, status and other facts material to the present inquiry, and, from that correspondence, the following facts are presented for the consideration of the Grand Lodge:

1. California, after long discussion and agitation, upon the subject, appointed a committee, in 1891, to organize a "Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home," and to take necessary steps to carry out the project, by an incorporation, outside of, but to be controlled and cared for by, the Grand Lodge. That committee immediately perfected an incorporation, and then set to work energetically, to raise funds for its establishment. Before the session of 1892, that committee had raised by subscriptions among lodges and individual Masons, $45,000. At the session of 1893, the funds had been increased to $57,000, and the home located at Decota, upon 268 acres of land, purchased for the purpose, at a cost of $33,000. For the next three years, the effort to raise funds was continued, and it was not until 1896, that it was deemed wise to commence the first building. It was two years later still, before the home was dedicated, and it was not ready for the first inmate until 1899. Before that time, the fund had been increased $38,000 by a fair held in San Francisco. Thus, it was eight years from the initial vote to go ahead, until the desires of the brethren in that jurisdiction were realized. At last report the investment, in the grounds and improvements, was $104,000, and there were 106 persons being cared for,—19 being widows, 45 orphans, and 42 Masons. In spite of its name, the corporation cares for Masons, as well as widows and orphans,—in separate cottages. There has been an average annual increase of about 20 per cent in the number cared for. The per capita cost of maintenance, last year, was about $206. The institution is supported by an annnual per capita tax of $1.00, levied by the Grand Lodge (the total per capita being $2.00) by donations of those so disposed, and by certain payments from certain classes of inmates. The per capita tax last year amounted to about $25,000 for the home.

2. Connecticut had, for ten years, previous to 1895, been endeavoring to raise money enough, by subscription, to warrant the establishment of a Masonic home. The project had been incorporated, under the auspices of the Grand Lodge, in 1887, as "The Masonic Charity Foundation of Connecticut," whose object was to be the care of indigent sick and infirm Masons, their widows and children. The membership of the corporation was to consist of the members of the Grand Lodge and life and honorary members from the subordinate lodges. Any Mason may become and continue an honorary mem-

ber, by paying $10 annually. Any Mason, Masonic body, or Chapter of the Eastern Star, upon payment of $100, may become a life member, and be entitled to cast one vote at the meetings of the corporation. Any lodge, upon the payment of $250, is privileged to make any one of its members an honorary life member, and, upon the death of such member, name another, and so on perpetually. The grounds for the home,—120 acres of land with some old farm buildings,—near Wallingford, were purchased in 1895, at a cost of $17,500; $20,000 has been expended since, in new buildings and other improvements. The capacity of the home is 100 inmates. It was dedicated and opened in September, 1895, free from debt. There are 72 persons being cared for, at last report,—42 Masons, 27 widows and 3 children. The average annual increase in number cared for, for the past five years, has been about 20 per cent. The cost of maintenance the last year was about $154 per capita. The institution is supported by an annual per capita tax of 75 cents, levied for the purpose by the Grand Lodge (which amounted last year to about $17,500), and by the income received from $17,500, in a permanent fund. The total Grand Lodge tax there is $1.00. The home buildings are all frame. Applications for admission to the home must come from a Masonic body. Adults entering the home must transfer all the property they may have, to the home, and any one having a yearly income is obliged, as a condition of entrance, to contribute half of it towards his support.

3. The "Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home," in Chicago, was established by individual Masons, outside the Grand Lodge, in 1885, under a charter from the state. The funds were raised by diligent effort, made among charitably disposed Masons, and by many shifts. The property of the home consists of a piece of land in the well settled part of the city,—100 feet by 150 feet, in area,—and cost $20,000. To this $30,000 has since been added, in buildings and improvements. The buildings are of stone and brick. The capacity is 100, and the present number of inmates 71, but this number varies during the year. The cost of maintenance last year was about $195 per capita. A year ago the Grand Lodge took over this home, and undertook to care for it hereafter. It levies an annual per capita tax of 35 cents for the purpose. The home has, in addition, the income from a $30,000 permanent fund, and still expects to receive many donations from those interested in the institution and its work.

Besides the above mentioned orphans' home, a home for aged Masons was also incorporated, some years ago, by individual effort, outside the Grand Lodge, but the only work done, towards establishing it, was to accumulate a fund of $9,000. That project and fund was also turned over to the Grand Lodge, in 1902, as a permanent fund for the support of aged Masons, and the Grand Lodge likewise accepted the gift of a 264-acre farm, near Sullivan, left by a deceased brother, upon condition that the Grand Lodge erect and maintain

thereon a home for Masons, or their widows and orphans. To this new enterprise the Grand Lodge, last year, made an appropriation of $25,000, for buildings, and will add another $15,000, to complete them, so as to give a capacity for about 50 persons. When this is done that jurisdiction will be equipped to care for all classes of its natural wards.

4. Kansas, after four years of previous active discussion of the matter, in 1892, adopted the report of its committee (which had the question of a Masonic home under consideration), recommending the founding of such home, by the Grand Lodge, and other Masonic bodies. A year later, the report of a similar committee, recommending that the "Kansas Masonic Home" be incorporated under the supervision of the Grand Lodge, was adopted. The object was to care for Masons, their widows and orphans. The incorporation was accordingly perfected in 1893. Under its articles it is governed by a board of 17 directors,—9 from the Grand Lodge, and 2 each from the Grand Chapter, the Grand Commandery, the A. A. S. Rite and the Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star. Funds were raised by appropriations from the surplus funds of said bodies and subscriptions from lodges and individuals. It took three years to get together, what was considered, sufficient funds, before attempting to establish a home, and it was not until 1896 that they purchased the property of the present home, situated at Wichita, consisting of fifteen and a half acres of land, with a fine private residence (originally costing $90,000), for which they paid $21,000. Of that amount the brethren at Wichita raised and contributed $5,000, as a condition of the home being established there. With the expenditures made for additional buildings since, the home to-day stands Kansas at $26,000. It was dedicated, and the first inmate received in the fall of 1896. The institution was furnished by the Eastern Star, which assumed that duty, and pledged itself besides to furnish $1,000, annually, for the support of the home, for the first five years. Its capacity is 60. There are now 47 persons being cared for,—21 Masons, 2 widows and 24 orphans. The number of inmates, for the past five years, has increased about 20 per cent annually. The cost of maintenance last year was about $160 per capita. This is provided by an annual per capita tax, of 50 cents, for the purpose, levied by the Grand Lodge (which for 1902 amounted to $11,500); another of 10 cents, by the Eastern Star, and by donations, besides the income from $18,000 in a permanent fund. It should be mentioned that, in the first effort to raise funds to establish the home, the Grand Lodge levied a per capita tax of $1.00 for the purpose.

5. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky took the preliminary steps for the establishment of a "Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home and Infirmary," at Louisville, in 1866. It was done through an incorporation, perfected in 1867, and provided for government by 18 directors, of which the Grand Master and Grand Senior and Junior Wardens,

for the time being, act ex-officio, and the remainder are elected by the life and annual members, who are required to be Free Masons. Life memberships cost $100, and annual members pay $10 per year. An honorary membership is also provided, at a cost of $50, but such members have no voice in the management. Life memberships are really perpetual, for they are transferable to Master Masons or Masonic lodges, and if a life member dies, without disposing of his membership, it goes, under the law, to his lodge. The corner stone of this home was laid in 1869, but it was May, 1871, before the first inmate was received. Funds to start the home were raised by subscriptions from brethren and lodges. The grounds are 420 feet by 900 feet, in area, in Louisville, and the initial cost was $20,000. The property, with the buildings and subsequent improvements (including rebuilding after a tornado) has cost $183,800. The capacity of the home is 260. The number of inmates varies during the year, but there were 229, at last report,—19 widows and 210 orphans. The per capita cost of maintenance the last year appears to have been about $126. This is provided by a per capita tax of $1.00, for the purpose, by the Grand Lodge (which amounted to $20,000 for 1902); by the income from a $300,000 trust fund and by donations, as well as from the earnings of the inmates. The home teaches trades, and is, to a small extent, self-supporting. A printing office and shoe shop is conducted. 353, out of 740, lodges appear to have taken and paid for life memberships, besides 27 other Masonic bodies; 290 of the brethren have taken out life memberships, and 27 hold honorary memberships; 182 Masons and Masonic bodies have subscribed to an endowment fund, usually paying upon the ten-year installment plan.

Besides this widows' and orphans' home, the Grand Lodge has recently purchased a dairy farm of 123 acres, near Shelbyville, at a cost of $12,500, which it is operating as a home for aged indigent Masons.

6. Interested Masons in Michigan incorporated a Masonic home in 1885. They spent about six years thereafter, in raising money, to start a home, and it was not until 1891 that they purchased 33 acres of land near Grand Rapids, and dedicated and opened the home. It, to-day, represents an investment of $65,000. Its capacity is 80, and the present number cared for is 49,—41 Masons and 8 widows. The average annual increase in the number cared for, for five years past. has been about 25 per cent. The per capita cost of maintenance the last year was about $158. A lodge in applying, to get a person admitted to the home, must undertake to pay, not exceeding $1.00 per week towards the support of the inmate, if called upon. This home was taken over by the Grand Lodge and other Grand Masonic bodies, in 1897, and has, since then, been cared for by them,—the Grand Lodge levying a per capita tax of 15 cents for the purpose (which amounted to $6,500 in 1902). The other Grand bodies make such appropriations as they can afford.

7. Missouri started the initial movement for its "Masonic Home of Missouri;" in 1885, when it appointed a committee to investigate and report upon the advisability of establishing such a home. That report was in favor of a home; it was adopted and a preliminary appropriation, of $10,000, made to assist in carrying out the project in 1886. The same year the Knights Templar Triennial Conclave Committee gave an entertainment, which netted $35,000, for the benefit of the project. Twenty thousand dollars additional was subscribed by lodges, chapters, commanderies and individuals. In 1889 the home was established,—for Masons, their widows and orphans,—and located at St. Louis, upon 15 acres of land, which, with the private residence thereon, originally cost the Grand Lodge $40,000. To this amount $30,000 has been added since, in additional buildings and improvements. The institution now accommodates 139 persons,—32 of them Masons, 27 widows and 80 orphans. The number of inmates has increased, during the last five years, about 10 per cent annually. The cost of maintenance, the past year, has been about $122 per capita. The Grand Lodge levies a per capita tax of 50 cents for the maintenance of the home (which last year amounted to $16,000), and there is besides the income from $50,000 already accumulated as an endowment fund. The buildings are substantially fireproof, according to the reports.

8. After years of agitation and discussion, the Grand Lodge of New Jersey decided, by unanimous vote, in 1897, to establish a Masonic home, for the care of Masons, their wives, widows and orphans. It at once levied a per capita tax of $2.00 upon all the Masons in the jurisdiction, payable within sixty days, to raise the necessary funds. Most of the lodges responded, within the time limit, and all by the end of the year. A valuable country residence, about two miles from Burlington, was purchased, at the very nominal price of $25,000. To this $30,000 has since been added, in extensions,—for one of which, an additional levy of $1.50, and for another of $2.00 per capita, was made and paid by the membership—making $5.50 per capita in all for the home within about five years. Its capacity is 65. There are now 55 being cared for,—nine of them children. The average annual increase in inmates has been about 25 per cent. The per capita cost of maintenance, the last year, was about $250 The home is supported by an annual per capita tax of 30 cents (which, in 1902, amounted to $6,000), besides the income from $25,000 in a permanent fund. This fund is being added to by a provision that $3.50 shall hereafter be paid by every initiate, as well as affiliating or reinstated Mason.

9. In the Grand Lodge of New York, in 1843, was taken an initial step looking to the building of a Masonic Hall, in New York city, whose net income was to be accumulated and used for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a Masonic home. It was not

until 1892 that a home materialized, in the present Masonic home, for Masons, their wives, widows and orphans. It is situated near Utica, upon 178 acres of land, costing originally $75,000. With the improvements that have since been added, the property has cost to date $375,000. Its capacity is 300. Present number of inmates, 291,—155 Masons, 82 widows and 54 orphans. The first inmate was received May 1, 1893. The average annual increase in inmates for the past five years has been 6 per cent. The buildings are of brick, with stone trimmings, and are fireproof. The cost of maintenance the last year was about $189. The net annual rentals, from the Masonic Hall, are about $30,000, and there is levied a tax of $3.00 for each initiate, for the support of the home. A reserve fund of $225,000 has been accumulated, but the demands upon the home have been such that there is little increase in that fund at present.

10. The Grand Lodge of North Carolina established the "Oxford Orphans' Asylum," in 1872, but the initial movement for what is the present home was for a "Masonic College," in 1853. This did not succeed, and was an elephant in the hands of the Grand Lodge, for some time, before it was turned into the above mentioned asylum. The original investment, in the college grounds and buildings, was $4,480. The property, consisting of 242 acres of land, with buildings (now capable of caring for 300), has cost about $100,000. The buildings are of brick, with metal roofs. There are about 250 children in the institution, and, because it does not confine its inmates to the orphans of Masons, the state makes an annual appropriation of $10,000 towards the support. The Grand Lodge appropriates $3,000 more. There are many contributions from others, and to a small extent the children support the home by their work on the farm and in the printing establishment and furniture factory, operated at the home. To enable it to help the home, the Grand Lodge raised its per capita tax to 60 cents. The per capita cost of maintenance the last year was $165.

11. The "Ohio Masonic Home" for Masons, their wives, widows and orphans, was incorporated, under the auspices of the Masonic Grand bodies, in 1890. Funds to start the home were raised, by voluntary subscriptions, from the Grand and Subordinate Masonic bodies and from individual Masons. It was located, near Springfield, upon 154 acres of ground, which cost $21,000. The buildings are of stone and with improvements have cost $125,000. While the first building was commenced in 1890, it was not, in fact, until 1895, that the institution was dedicated, and it was not opened until 1897. It took seven years to get together the necessary funds to warrant starting to care for those for whom the institution was intended. The capacity of the buildings, as they now exist, is 200 inmates. At last report there were 132 being cared for, of whom 51 were Masons, 34 widows and 47 children. The per capita cost of maintenance the last year was

$212. The home is supported by a per capita tax of 30 cents levied for the purpose by the Grand Lodge (amounting last year to $15,000), besides such other moneys as the Grand Lodge can spare; 25 cents per capita from the Grand Chapter, with such other moneys as it can spare; the Grand Council and Grand Commanderies voting such amounts as they can spare, and by voluntary contributions from interested Masons and lodges, besides the income from $29,500, in a permanent fund. The total Grand Lodge tax is 60 cents. The institution is managed by a board of 15 trustees,—six from the Grand Lodge, three each from the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery, two from the A.·. A.·. S.·. R.·., and one from the Grand Council.

12. The "Masonic Home of Pennsylvania" was incorporated by interested Masons, in 1884, and while not controlled by, works in absolute harmony with, the Grand Lodge. Its object is to care for Masons, their widows and orphans, but at present it is only caring for the former. It is located in Philadelphia, with a frontage of 200 feet on Broad street, by 150 feet deep, and cost $56,000. Its capacity is for 75 inmates. At present there are 64 being cared for,—all men, as before noted. The per capita cost of maintenance, last year, was $250. It is supported by certain charges made for the care of inmates, to be paid by the Masonic body, or member, through which they reach the home; by dues of members of the corporation; by contributions from Grand Masonic bodies and others, and the income from $95,000 in a permanent fund. The contributions from the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery, last year, were $1,000 each. Memberships cost $100, with $10 annually for dues, or $250 without dues. Annual contributors are provided for at $5.00 per year, without vote in the management. Admissions are made upon the nomination of a lodge holding membership or an individual member, but not more than one from the same source, if others are awaiting an opportunity to enter. There is required a payment of a graduated amount into the home funds, in case of admission, of from $500 when the inmate is under fifty years of age, to $100 when over seventy,—the amount varying with the age at entrance every five years. The annual increase in number of inmates the last five years has been about 20 per cent.

Recently provision was offered, by the liberality of Brother William L. Elkins, now deceased, for a "Home for Masons' Orphan Girls," to be under the control of said Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, who gave forty-three acres of land and money for the erection of the necessary buildings. It will also be situated in Philadelphia, and upon Broad street, though farther out.

13. The "Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home" of Tennessee was incorporated about twenty years ago, by individual Masons. It is located near Nashville, upon ten acres of land, given it by a Masonic brother. The buildings and improvements have cost $35,000. The money was raised by solicitation, of Masons and lodges, with fre-

quent help from the Grand Lodge, from which source came its support for several years. In 1897 the Grand Lodge took over, and now cares for, the institution through an increase of 50 cents in its annual per capita tax (which for 1902 provided the home about $8,000). The Grand Lodge also votes the home such surplus funds as it can spare. The home is now crowded, beyond its proper capacity, with 127 inmates,—26 of them widows and 101 children. The per capita cost of maintenance the last year was about $80.

14. Texas submitted a proposition to establish a Masonic home to its lodges in 1885. The vote was in favor, and in 1887 the Grand Lodge itself unanimously adopted a resolution to set apart $23,000, then in the Grand Charity Fund, for the establishment of a Masonic home, as soon as there were sufficient other fnuds accumulated for the purpose,—one-half of the Grand Lodge revenues to be added each year to the fund. A board of directors was raised and it decided to accumulate $100,000 before attempting to start the home. By 1894 the fund had increased to $78,000, and the board solicited offers of a location for the home. In 1895 the fund had been increased to $92,000, but no offers of location had been found satisfactory. In 1896 the fund was $107,000, but still no location had been accepted. In 1897 the fund was $124,500, and the home was, at last, located at Ft. Worth, on 200 acres of land, donated by that locality, with $5,000 in cash,—out of eight propositions for location submitted. A year later about thirteen acres adjoining was purchased, and the fund was $127,300, besides the land and $3,000 worth of improvements. In 1899 $46,641.82 had been spent in improvements, and additional funds, to the amount of $124,000, were invested, in securities. The home was opened for inmates Oct. 6, 1900, and 63 children admitted. There are now 85 inmates,—all children, except 5, and $67,000 has been invested in the plant, and $115,000, in interest-bearing securities. The per capita cost of maintenance last year was $149. The home is supported by the income from the invested securities, and a per capita tax of 50 cents, levied by the Grand Lodge, for the home.

15. Virginia raised a committee to consider and report upon the practicability of establishing a "Masonic Orphan Asylum" in 1888. That committee reported the following year in favor of the project, the report was adopted and, on Jan. 7, 1890, the legislature of the state incorporated a board of governors, elected by the Grand Lodge, as the "Masonic Home of Virginia," whose object was stated to be to establish an asylum for the widows and orphans of deceased Masons and an infirmary for the reception and care of sick and afflicted Masons. Memberships in the corporation were to be active, life and honorary, and the institution was to be governed by a board of nine governors, in addition to the Grand Master and Grand Wardens, for the time being, of the Grand Lodge. Life members pay $100 and are exempt from annual dues. Honorary members pay $100,

but have no voice in the management. Active members pay $5 per year. The home is located two miles from Richmond, upon a 44-acre farm, given the institution by a liberal brother, including a ten-room brick house and necessary farm buildings, and $5,000 in cash; $35,000 have been expended since in additional improvements. The present capacity is 60 inmates, and there are 55 being accommodated. Only children are cared for, at present,—at a cost of $120 per capita, last year. The home was opened in 1890, and is supported by an annual appropriation from the Grand Lodge (last year of $3,000), besides the small income from the farm and from the endowment fund of $13,000. The total per capita tax of the Grand Lodge is 75 cents.

It will be observed, from the foregoing statement, that the investments in these homes, and their permanent funds, vary considerably in amount: California having $104,000 invested in its home and no fund; Connecticut having $37,500 in its home and $17,500 in its fund; Illinois, $50,000 in its orphans' home and $25,000 in its aged Masons' home, besides $39,000 in its fund; Kansas, $26,000 in its home, besides $18,000 in its fund; Kentucky, $183,800 in its orphans' home, and $12,500 in its aged Masons' home and $300,000 in its fund; Michigan, $65,000 in its home, without a fund; Missouri, $70,000 in its home and 50,000 in its fund; New Jersey, $55,000 in its home and $25,000 in its fund; New York, $375,000 in its home, with its "Masonic Hall," netting it $30,000 income annually and $225,000 in its permanent fund; North Carolina, $100,000 in its home and no fund; Ohio, $125,000 in its home and $29,500 in its fund; Pennsylvania, $56.000 in its home and $95,000 in its fund; Tennessee, $35,000 in its home and no fund; Texas, $67,000 in its home, besides its donated grounds, and $115,000 in its fund, and Virginia, $35,000, besides its donated farm, in its home, and $13,000 in its fund. These amounts represent long years of hard and patient labor, in solicitation of the funds, and much sacrifice, willingly made, by, the most at least of, those who contributed.

There is a wide difference also shown in the per capita cost of maintenance: Pennsylvania with 64 Masons, costing $250 annually; Michigan with 41 Masons and 8 widows, costing $158; California with 42 Masons, 19 widows and 45 children, costing $206; Connecticut with 42 Masons, 27 widows and 3 children, costing $154; Kansas with 21 Masons, 2 widows and 24 children, costing $160; Missouri with 32 Masons, 27 widows and 80 children, costing $122; New Jersey with 46 Masons and widows and 9 children, costing $250; New York with 155 Masons, 82 widows and 54 children, costing $189; Ohio with 51 Masons, 34 widows and 47 children, costing $212; Kentucky with 19 widows and 210 children, costing $126; Tennessee with 26 widows and 101 children, costing $80; Texas with 5 widows and 80 children, costing $149; Illinois with 71 children, costing $195; North Carolina with 250 children, costing $65, and Virginia with 55 children, costing $120.

This difference in cost of maintenance may often be ascribed to difference in the ages of those cared for and to the climate. It will naturally cost less in the southern part of the United States than farther north. There is probably a difference in the character of the care and provision made, in different homes, being more lavish in some than in others. Michigan and Connecticut, in the north, show the lowest cost, for the care of practically all adults.

The reports of the several homes mentioned—fifteen in all—indicate that there has been an average annual increase in number of inmates cared for, during the five years past, of from 10 per cent upwards. Those in the active management of these homes express genuine satisfaction with their accomplished efforts, and many express the hope that our jurisdiction may soon find its way clear to follow in their footsteps. Your committee and this Grand Lodge are under obligations to the brethren in these sister jurisdictions, for their great courtesy in furnishing the data asked for, by letters and documents.

Following the instructions of the Grand Lodge, your committee next prepared, and the Grand Secretary mailed to the several lodges, the following circular:

"OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER,
MINNEAPOLIS, NOV. 2, 1903.

*To the W.·. Masters of all the Lodges of A.·. F.·. A.·. M.·. of Minnesota:*

Pursuant to the action of the Grand Lodge, at its last session, the Committee on Masonic Home has prepared the following circular. The Master of each lodge will fix a convenient date for a meeting of his lodge, to especially consider the subject matter of said circular, and will see that each member is notified to be present on such date. When so met, the brethren will consider and act upon the question of establishing a Masonic home in Minnesota, making response to the several queries propounded in said circular, and certifying a reply to each question, to Brother Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary, St. Paul, Minn., on or before Jan. 1, 1904.

It is fraternally suggested that, where lodges elect their officers, in December, the night of election would be a suitable time to consider the subject.

HENRY R. ADAMS,
*Grand Master.*

CIRCULAR.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., NOV. 2, 1903.

*To all Lodges of A.·. F.·. A.·. M.·. of Minnesota:*

The question of the practicability and advisability of establishing a Masonic home in Minnesota is to be considered by the Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication next January. The undersigned are a committee to investigate the matter, under instructions, to make a full report and recommendations at that time. The problem demands most careful and serious consideration by every Mason in the jurisdiction. To enlighten the committee, and that every brother may have

an opportunity to express his opinion on the subject, it is desired that, at an appointed time, after due notice, the brethren of each lodge shall meet, to discuss and act upon the questions propounded below. This action should be had on or before Dec. 27, 1903, and the result certified to the Grand Secretary on or before Jan. 1, 1904. Please consider these questions carefully, and have the Secretary append your replies to the following questions, returning the same to Grand Secretary at once:

1. Does your lodge think there is need, in this jurisdiction, for a Masonic home?
2. How many brethren and widows and children of Masons, if any, are you caring for, or have you aided during the past year, and at what cost to your lodge?
3. If a home is established, should it be for the care of Masons only, or should it also care for their wives, widows and orphan children?
4. How can the means to establish such home be best raised?
5. Should we go in debt for the establishment of such a home?
6. How should means to support such a home be raised when established?
7. Will your lodge be willing to stand an increase in its dues of probably no less than 50 cents per member, for the maintenance of such home?
8. Are there in your locality any liberally disposed persons, able and willing to contribute money or other property to erect or endow such a home, and, if so, to what extent?
9. What is the total membership of your lodge?
10. How many members were present, when action was taken on the foregoing questions?
11. How many members voted for, and how many against, the answers given to the third, fifth and seventh queries?

Fraternally yours,

WILLIAM P. ROBERTS,
A. D. COUNTRYMAN,
E. H. SHERWIN,
*Committee on Masonic Home."*

From the standpoint of interest, evidenced in the matter, the response to our circular has been disappointing. There are 19,474 Masons in good standing in Minnesota, in 239 lodges. 156 of these lodges with a membership of 14,431, have replied to it, and the attendance when the vote was taken was 3,657. 58 of these lodges with a membership of 4,921 and with 1,328 in attendance, vote that a home is needed. 98 lodges with a membership of 9,519 and 2,329 in attendance, when the vote was taken, vote in the negative.

These lodges report 108 cases relieved by them, at a total cost of $5,044.65 during the past year. In many of the cases, it was evidently (from the amount expended), temporary relief. An inspection of the report indicates that probably not more than 25 cases are practically a permanent care to the lodges.

Of 131 lodges voting upon the question, 109 favor a home for Masons, their wives, widows and orphans; 11 for widows and orphans only and 11 for Masons only.

Of the 140 lodges voting upon the question of debt, 126 vote in the negative.

When it comes to the question of raising the means to start such home, there is much hesitancy to advise, as well as considerable diversity: 39 lodges favoring a per capita tax, for the purpose; 36 would raise it by subscriptions and donations; 9 would use surplus Grand Lodge funds; 1 would borrow the money, and 1 levy a tax of $1.00 for every degree conferred hereafter. The balance make no answer.

A still fewer number advise how a home is to be maintained, if established: 68 lodges favoring a per capita tax; 27 would rely on donations; 3 upon the surplus funds of the Grand Lodge; 1 upon the income from an endowment fund not yet raised, and 1 would require the lodges, sending inmates to the home, to pay the whole expense of maintenance.

No lodge reports any liberally disposed person, willing to contribute to any material extent towards a home.

A few of the lodges, without voting, report themselves not sufficiently informed to act upon the circular. Doubtless, lodges not reporting at all, were in the same situation,—knowing of no local demand and being unacquainted with the demands elsewhere in the jurisdiction.

So far as the expediency of establishing a home, some time, is concerned, the members of your committee know, from conversation with many of the brethren who say they voted in the negative, on the first question, that they are willing to take steps, now, looking to the accumulation of a sufficient fund to establish such home. The majority of those who voted that a home was needed (from the nature of their replies, as to raising the means to start it) evidently did not anticipate the erection of a building and the commencement of the care of inmates, the present year.

Again, from the reports, it is apparent that a very large majority of the cases, now cared for by the lodges, would cost much more in a home, if we had one, than it is costing to care for them outside, and this is a simple matter of maintenance and leaving the initial cost of a home entirely out of consideration.

If, then, the matter of cost was to determine the question of a home, it must, without further consideration, be decided in the negative. Your committee is well persuaded, however, that mere comparison of cost of maintenance has not been decisive, with the brethren who have voted in the lodges, and will not be, with members of the Grand Lodge, whether they favor a home, now, or not. With most of the brethren it will be a question of the nature of the demand first and largely, and then of the ability of the fraternity, in this jurisdiction, to provide, what all will admit is, in a large sense, a luxury. All the brethren realize that it would not be good business

judgment to start so great an undertaking as a home, if, for instance, there were probably not exceeding nine or ten cases, needing such care, as a home would afford. Is the case altered, if there are two or three times that number? When the able and exhaustive report of the former Committee on Masonic Home was submitted, in 1893, the Grand Lodge was helping nine persons. A year ago it helped 24. Does this status of affairs present a different duty and responsibility in the matter? The duty of Masons in the matter of relief, laid down in the report of the Committee on Masonic Home, in 1893, just referred to, is that it is not "Masonic for a brother to cast his personal duty upon the lodge when he is able to perform it, nor for the lodge to cast its duty upon the Grand Lodge unless it is necessary to do so." Masonry, it is well said, is not a financial benefit society, at least in the ordinary meaning and use of that term.

Your committee is aware that, granting the full force of the foregoing definition of duty, devolved upon the fraternity, in matters of relief, the argument for the establishment of a Masonic home now, is, that under present conditions in this state, the relief brethren are most willing to give, cannot be utilized or produce the results it should, simply because money cannot provide, in Minnesota, either a proper place or proper care, for many who grievously need Masonic love and sympathy, in addition to the bare necessities of life, now willingly furnished; that the deep rooted sympathy of our hearts demands that such persons be not left to cold, perfunctory, unsympathetic surroundings and influences, but should have the best care a reasonable amount of money can afford; that such place and such care can only be had in a well appointed institution of our own; that any such institution, worthy of our jurisdiction, should not be permitted, and cannot be safely permitted, without (practically at least), the control of the Grand Lodge, so that the honor and reputation of our beloved institution, shall always be properly safe-guarded, and that this jurisdiction can now afford to take the necessary initial steps, at least, looking towards the establishment of a Masonic home,—thus placing itself in line with other great sister jurisdictions of America, in this matter. It has also been suggested that a well appointed hospital, in connection with such home, would be a valuable, as well as most creditable, adjunct to a home, if located within easy means of access, from different parts of the state.

Your committee does not deem it necessary to discuss, at further length, the proposition of a Masonic home, in this report. The report upon the subject, in 1893, went into this matter at great length, and can easily be referred to, if desired.

In view of the light vote, both in number of lodges, and the small percentage of the membership present when our circular was acted upon, your committee might, without further words, wash its hands of responsibility and recommend that the whole subject of a Masonic

home be indefinitely postponed. That course is open to the Grand Lodge.

But your committee does not believe it wise to take that course. The question of a Masonic home is with us and will stay with us. It is one of growing interest. Masons cannot afford to look at it, entirely, from their local standpoints. Masonic charity does not end there, and the honor and reputation of our fraternity, which is in charge of this Grand Lodge, cannot permit it to end there. The Grand Lodge assisted 24 persons last year. It is probable that the lodges are assisting as many more who are practically a permanent care. There are, then, two other courses, than indefinite postponement, in view of the sure recurrence of the question, every year hereafter, until something is done, towards starting a home in Minnesota, and your committee recommends that the Grand Lodge adopt one or the other of said courses—either

First—That the Grand Lodge now express itself in favor of the establishment of a Masonic home for indigent Masons, their wives, widows and orphans, as quickly as sufficient funds have been accumulated for the purpose; that, in its judgment, there should be at least $75,000 in the fund, before any building is done,—$50,000 for the home and $25,000 for an endowment fund, and that the latter fund should be increased to at least $50,000 by the time the home is opened; that if thought best to increase the fund faster than can be done, with the present per capita tax, it be increased 10 cents; and that the Grand Lodge pledge itself that every dollar which can be spared shall be annually placed in the fund for such home. There is now about $27,000 in the widows' and orphans' fund. Nothing was carried to that fund a year ago, by oversight, but there can probably be $5,000 added to it at this communication. If the per capita tax is increased, as suggested, in view of our past, it will be possible to transfer about $4,000 to the fund every year hereafter. At this rate, with average rate of increase in membership, there would be the full $75,000 in the fund, including the widows' and orphans' fund, in less than ten years, and we would then be in splendid shape to break ground for an institution, which would be a credit to our fraternity, and, by the time a building is ready for occupancy, would have an endowment fund large enough to materially assist in its maintenance. And the brethren would scarcely have felt it a burden. We should build, if at all, for all time, permanent fireproof buildings, not permit ourselves to be satisfied with a firetrap, with its risk of a holocaust, or

Second—If it is not thought advisable to take the first of these courses, now, that the whole matter be laid over again another year, and again submit to the fraternity in the lodges, the question of whether a home for Masons, their wives, widows and orphans shall be established and the necessary steps taken by the Grand Lodge to establish such home as quickly as a fund of $75,000, has been accumu-

lated for the purpose,—$50,000, of which amount shall be used to start the home and the balance carried in a permanent fund, the income only of which shall be used for the support of the home; also have a vote taken upon the question whether the per capita tax shall be increased 10 cents for the purpose of accelerating the accumulation of such funds.

Finally, if the first of said alternative recommendations is adopted, your committee also recommends that the committee on Masonic home be made a standing committee. If the second of said plans recommended is adopted, this committee should be renewed for another year, with instructions to meet again the day preceding the next annual communication, in the office of the Grand Secretary, to prepare their report, and that the same per diem and mileage for attendance, including the session of the Grand Lodge shall be paid, as to representatives.

Your committee reaffirms the suggestion of the Committee on Masonic Home in 1893, that if a home is established, it should be through an incorporation, so perfected, as that the Grand Lodge shall have practical control, through those who are its acting officers, for the time being. It ought to be noted, before the close of this report, that the Order of the Eastern Star is greatly interested in and is already accumulating a fund for the prupose of furnishing a home. There is little doubt but that the other Grand Masonic bodies, as well as those of the A.·. A.·. S.·. R.·., will be glad to support the movement for a home, should it be deemed wise to start it.

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM P. ROBERTS,
A. D. COUNTRYMAN,
E. H. SHERWIN,
*Committee on Masonic Home.*

Past Grand Master G. S. Ives offered the following, to be considered in connection with foregoing report:

WHEREAS, In view of the action taken by the various Lodges and of all the circumstances of the case, it is the opinion of this Grand Lodge that the time has not yet arrived for the construction of a Masonic home in this jurisdiction: That it would be unwise and not for the best interest of the fraternity to impose a tax or assessment upon our membership for any such purpose at present, and that the widow and orphans' fund of this Grand Lodge should not be diverted from its present use, and

WHEREAS, In the opinion of this Grand Lodge the time *has* arrived when it would be wise and proper to perfect an organization to which should be entrusted the duty of raising and accumulating a fund to be used at some time in the future (when sufficient shall

have been realized for that purpose) for the erection and maintenance of a Masonic home in this jurisdiction.

*Be It Therefore Resolved,* That proper measures be taken to secure such organization at the earliest possible moment, and to that end,

*Be It Further Resolved,* That the incoming Grand Master appoint a committee consisting of nine Master Masons, whose duty it shall be to organize and perfect a corporation under the laws of this state for the purpose of aiding this Grand Lodge in the accomplishment of such proposed enterprise.

*Resolved Further,* That it shall be the duty of said committee to prepare articles of incorporation providing, among other things necessary to the accomplishment of this purpose, a plan for raising and accumulating a fund through voluntary contributions, bequests, honorary membership, both of lodges and individual, entertainments, and through and by such other means as to the committee may seem meet and proper.

That such articles shall further provide for the selection, from time to time, of the trustees of said organization by this Grand Lodge, and for the report of such trustees annually to the Grand Lodge.

That said articles shall further provide for the loaning of all funds received by such organization until the same shall be sufficient for the purposes aforesaid. And that such home shall not be built until at least $75,000 has been secured—not less than one-half of which shall be reserved as a permanent fund.

*Resolved Further,* That the committee so named by the Grand Master shall constitute the first board of trustees of said organization, and shall hold their said office until the next meeting of the Grand Lodge, at which time their successors shall be selected.

On motion of Bro. J. D. Markham it was voted to make the consideration of the question of establishing a Masonic Home in Minnesota the special order of business for to-morrow at 10 a. m.

On motion the election of grand officers was made the special order for 2 p. m. to-morrow.

The Grand Lodge, at 6 p. m., was called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow at 9 a. m.

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According to previous announcement, Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, with a full corps of officers and their usual equipment of paraphernalia, stereopticon views, etc., did, at the request

of Grand Master Adams, exemplify the work of the Third degree at 8 p. m. in the main hall, in a very creditable and acceptable manner, the attendance of representatives and other brethren being very large.

At the same time the annual meeting and feast of the Masonic Veteran Association was held in other parts of the building. See Appendix for proceedings of same.

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## SECOND DAY.

ST. PAUL, THURSDAY, Jan. 21, 1904.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9 a. m. Officers and members as before.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your committee, to whom was referred the address of the M.·. W.·. Grand Master for division and reference, report that they have been profited anew in reviewing in its broader features and in detail the eloquent and profound address of your Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brother Henry R. Adams. We respectfully recommend:

1. That those portions relating to District Deputies, Clandestine Lodges, Waiving of Jurisdiction, Masonic Home, and the giving of immediate relief to brethren in distress, receive the especial attention and consideration of the respective committees to whom they shall be referred, and of this Grand Lodge as a body.

2. That the portion of the address relating to District Deputies be referred to a special committee of three.

3. That those portions relating to Clandestine Lodges and the Waiving of Jurisdiction be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

4. That so much as relates to dispensations for new lodges be referred to the Committee on Lodges U.·. D.·.

5. That so much as relates to deceased brethren be referred to a special committee of three.

6. That the portion relating to the refunding of money paid out for the relief of a Past Grand Master be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

7. That the portion relating to the relief of a brother in distress, except the refunding of money paid out in the particular case referred

to, be referred to the Committee on Revision of Constitution, with a view of presenting for the consideration of this Grand Lodge an amendment allowing the Grand Master enlarged powers in cases of emergency in furnishing relief.

8. That the portion relating to a Masonic home be referred to the existing special committee on Masonic Home.

9. That those portions inculcating the doctrines of morality and fraternity be referred to this Grand Lodge, and through its officers and members to the lodges and brethren of this and sister jurisdictions.

Fraternally submitted,

H. S. GOFF,
W. A. NOLAN,
E. A. KLING,
*Committee.*

Adopted.

The Grand Master appointed the special committees provided for in the above report as follows:

2. Bros. A. T. Stebbins (21), A. Brandenburg (99), T. T. Warham (228).

5. Bros. A. G. Pinkham (33), W. W. Wold (90), A. Marden (98).

The special order, the Masonic Home question, was now taken up, and a lengthy discussion ensued. Bro. A. G. Pinkham (33) moved that the first alternative recommendation of the committee be adopted. Bro. Chas. L. West (39) opposed the motion and moved that the whole matter be indefinitely postponed. Bro. G. S. Ives (54) advocated the consideration and adoption of his resolutions of yesterday. Bro. F. A. Duxbury (20) favored a full discussion of the question, but was opposed to a spectacular kind of charity. Bro. H. R. Wells (36) opposed committing the Grand Lodge to the establishment of a Masonic Home. The populous portions of the state would derive the benefit, to the exclusion of the less populous districts. Bro. H. R. Denny (111) spoke against having a home, now or ever. Bro. J. D. Markham (164) opposed the commitment of the Grand Lodge to the home proposition at this time. Remarks were also made by Bro. W. P. Roberts and others. The question was then put on the motion of Bro. C. L. West to indefinitely postpone, which was

carried by a decided majority. The thanks of Grand Lodge was tendered the committee for their able paper, which was ordered printed in the proceedings.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of Committee on Correspondence, presented his report in print, and the same was ordered published as an appendix to our proceedings.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION, ETC.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your special committee appointed pursuant to the action of the last annual communication relating to the proposed revision or changes in the constitution of the Grand Lodge, beg leave to report,

That after careful examination of our constitution in connection with the constitutions of a large number of our sister jurisdictions, including several recently adopted, your committee are of the opinion that the constitution of this Grand Lodge, now in force, compares very favorably with those examined; that it contains all the essential provisions for the proper and effective supervision and government of the craft in this jurisdiction; and that, in the opinion of your committee, there does not appear to be any present necessity for its revision.

It may be conceded, however, that certain changes and corrections in language construction and arrangement, including the rejection of such provisions as, for any reason, may be obsolete, would be beneficial; but in view of the fact that a former able committee of this grand body has already undertaken this work and made their report thereon, your committee does not deem it proper, courteous or necessary to offer anything along that line.

The committee above referred to was appointed by a resolution adopted by this Grand Lodge at its annual communication, held in the year 1900; and in their report at the next annual communication made a large number of changes in the constitution and general regulations, the greater part of which are unimportant, and do not, in any manner, affect the construction of the text, while those having any materiality are in nearly every case an improvement upon the original.

No definite action has ever been taken by the Grand Lodge upon this report, except in referring it to a committee, *which has never reported*. The result is that the constitution, including general regulations so prepared by such committee, and published in the "Masonic Code of Minnesota," has never been, in any manner, legally acted upon by this Grand Body, and cannot now be recognized as having any force or authority.

If, however, the Grand Lodge should at this time desire to take up the correction and improvement of its constitution and general regulations along the line indicated in that report, it is respectfully suggested that, in justice to said committee, their report should be taken as the basis of such action. Any member of the Grand Lodge could offer the constitution and general regulations so published, as amendments to the constitution and general regulations of this Grand Lodge, such amendments could be taken up seriatem, and any further modification of the original or changes considered necessary to perfect the same could be proposed, and the Constitution so perfected, if concurred in by two-thirds of the members present, could be printed, sent to the lodges and taken up at the next annual communication for final action.

Your commitee therefore ask to be relieved from further consideration of this subject.

Fraternally submitted,

G. S. IVES,
A. T. STEBBINS,
J. D. MARKHAM,
*Committee.*

Concurred in.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LODGES U.·. D.·.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Lodges U.·. D.·. respectfully report that, having carefully examined the records and returns of the following lodges U.·. D.·., viz., Hawley, at Hawley, Clay county; Fellowship, at North St. Paul, Ramsey county; Montgomery, at St. Paul, Ramsey county; and, finding their records to be correctly and carefully kept, and their work good, and such as we approve, we recommend that a charter be granted to each of said lodges.

Fraternally submitted,

A. D. COUNTRYMAN,
GEO. VIVIAN,
FRANK L. GOWAN,
*Committee.*

Adopted.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

1.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Zimmerman, formerly a member of

Lake View Lodge No. 143 of Ortonville, for restoration to all the rights and privileges of Masonry, beg leave to report that they have duly considered the petition, and find and recommend as follows, to-wit:

This former member was in 1896 charged with a Masonic offense, i. e., making improper proposals to a woman, alleged to have been committed in 1890, and on April 17, 1896, was duly adjudged guilty and expelled by his lodge. He presents with his petition for restoration a recommendation signed by 23 members of his former lodge, and said to be a large proportion of the members residing within the jurisdiction of the lodge, that his petition be granted, and in this recommendation the former accuser unites. It has been made to appear to your committee that during the years since this member was expelled he has lived a proper life.

Your committee therefore recommend that said Thomas Zimmerman be restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Adopted.

2.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances respectfully report that we have had under consideration the appeal of Bro. C. J. Laurisch, J.·. W.·. of Josephus Lodge No. 128, Mapleton, from the action of said lodge adjudging Bro. Alfred A. Buck, a member of said lodge, guilty of unmasonic conduct, and imposing upon him as a penalty therefor *indefinite suspension* from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, and respectfully recommend that the action of said lodge be in all things *affirmed.*

The facts, briefly stated, are as follows: Bro. Buck was bookkeeper and assistant cashier of Mapleton State Bank, and while acting in such capacity unlawfully appropriated to his own use the funds of said bank and took and converted funds on deposit in said bank the moneys of his brother Masons. That said Bro. Buck, on or about the 10th day of October, 1903, absconded from the State of Minnesota, and ever since has been a fugitive from justice. Charges against said Bro. Buck, accusing him of unmasonic conduct for the offenses aforesaid, were duly preferred to said Josephus Lodge by its J.·. W.·., and upon such charges a trial was had, and upon such trial the offending brother was adjudged guilty, and the penalty of indefinite suspension from all the rights and privileges of Masonry was imposed by said lodge, and from such action the J.·. W.·. brought appeal to this Grand Lodge.

Your committee is unanimously of the opinion that the evidence offered upon the trial established the guilt of the accused brother,

and that the penalty imposed by Josephus Lodge was fitting and proper, and we therefore make the above recommendation.

Adopted.

3.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances respectfully report that they have had under consideration the appeal of Alex. Woolstencroft, a member of Fulda Lodge No. 170, A. F. and A. M., from the action of said lodge in rendering a judgment of not guilty rendered on the 7th day of July, 1903, by said Fulda Lodge No. 170, upon charges preferred against Bro. Lewis O. Bathen.

It appears from the record that Bro. Bathen was charged by Bro. Alex. Woolstencroft with violating his obligation as a Mason (the charge not being particularized), in that Bro. Bathen, knowing that one H. P. Lewis was in a failing condition financially, and having learned that said Lewis had given a trust deed for the benefit of his creditors, received the note of Bro. Woolstencroft and said Lewis for $200 as security for an obligation of said Lewis to himself (Bathen). The obligation of Lewis to Bathen consisted of a note which Bathen signed with Lewis for the accommodation of Lewis to a creditor of Lewis.

It does not appear from the record that Bathen solicited Woolstencroft to go on the note of Lewis for benefit of Bathen, or that any unfair or undue influence was brought to bear on said Woolstencroft to procure his signature to said note. The statement of Bros. Woolstencroft and Bathen agree in the main as to the material facts, and issue of fact between them was evidently disposed of by the vote and judgment of the lodge.

Your committee recommend that the judgment of said lodge in said matter be affirmed.

CHAS. G. HINDS,
W. C. ODELL,
WM. DUNBRACK,
HUGH R. BURGO,
C. D. GOULD,
*Committee.*

Adopted.

## GRAND LODGE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

The following resolution, offered by the Commitee on Correspondence, was adopted:

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Western Australia of A. F. and A. M. was organized Feb. 27, 1900, with 33 lodges, having about 1,650

members, and now has 67 lodges, with over 3,000 members; and, believing, from the best obtainable information, that its formation was regular; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Minnesota welcomes into the brotherhood of Grand Lodges the Grand Lodge of Western Australia of A. F. and A. M., according said grand body full recognition as a regularly organized Grand Lodge; and we further recommend that said recognition be manifested by an exchange of representatives.

IRVING TODD,
THOS. MONTGOMERY,
GEO. R. METCALF,
*Committee.*

## REPORT OF CUSTODIANS.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

The Board of Custodians most respectfully report that immediately prior to the convening of this Grand Lodge they held their annual meeting in St. Paul for the purpose of rehearsing in detail, and giving instruction in, the established work and lectures pertaining to the several degrees, in accordance with the requirements of section 148 of the Masonic Code, at which meeting all the members of the board were present. There were also in attendance at said meeting 157 Master Masons (mostly Worshipful Masters), representing 94 different lodges, to receive such instruction. An unusual degree of harmony prevailed, and all manifested a desire to learn, to the end, that they might be the better enabled to teach approved work in their respective lodges. All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHAS. GRISWOLD,
*Chairman.*

J. H. SPROUT,
*Secretary.*

Concurred in.

A bill of $24 for 200 aprons for use of Grand Lodge, and another for $23.50 for use of 300 chairs, and help in preparing and cleaning hall for Grand Lodge, was read and referred to the Committee on Appropriations, as were also a large number of petitions of brethren and lodges for relief of needy brethren, their widows and orphans.

## MASONIC CODE.

Bro. J. W. Wright (89) made inquiry as to the status of the Masonic Code, published in 1900, and later moved its adoption.

After considerable discussion, participated in by Bros. Carroll, Ives, Wells, Countryman and Stebbins, Bro. Ives was sustained in a point of order that it could not now be adopted as a whole, owing to the necessity of first acting on the change of language and construction in the Constitution and Regulations published therein, and the whole matter and discussion was declared out of order.

Bro. J. D. Markham (164) then moved that the Code, exclusive of the Grand Lodge Constitution and Regulations, be adopted. The Deputy Grand Master in the chair ruled that all propositions concerning the Code must go to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Past Grand Master Countryman then submitted the Constitution and Regulations as printed in the Masonic Code, as an amendment to our Constitution and Regulations, and on his motion said amendment was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Finance most respectfully report that we have examined the reports, books and vouchers of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and find that they agree, and that they have been carefully and correctly kept.

E. W. DURANT,
G. S. IVES,
S. L. FRAZER,
ROBT. B. WARE,
JAMES BENNETT,
*Committee.*

Adopted.

The Grand Lodge at 12:45 p. m. was called from labor to refreshment until 2 p. m.

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## AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 21, 1904.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2 p. m.

## ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS.

The hour for the election of Grand Officers having arrived, the Grand Master appointed as tellers Bros. W. A. Nolan (121), H. Hawley (101), Wm. McCuaig (233), C. S. Schurman (171), and W. H. Bell (168).

Ballots were distributed and collected, the Grand Secretary calling the roll of all entitled to vote. The following officers were declared duly elected:

M.·. W.·. Bro. William A. McGonagle, Duluth.....Grand Master
R.·. W.·. Bro. Henry M. Tusler, St. Paul.....Deputy Grand Master
R.·. W.·. Bro. Thomas Morris, Crookston.....Senior Grand Warden
R.·. W.·. Bro. Gustaf Widell, Mankato.....Junior Grand Warden
R.·. W.·. Bro. David W. Knowlton, Minneapolis....Grand Treasurer
R.·. W.·. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul.....Grand Secretary

On the announcement of the election of Bro. McGonagle as Grand Master the Past Grand Masters present were appointed a committee to retire and escort the Grand Master-elect within the hall. This was done, and Bro. McGonagle, at the altar, was duly presented, welcomed and received with the Grand Honors. He was then escorted to the Grand East by Grand Master Adams, and feelingly expressed his appreciation of the high honor conferred upon him.

Bro. D. W. Knowlton, chairman of Committee on Pay Roll, reported same ready, and as Grand Treasurer was permitted to pay the members at his convenience.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MEMBERS.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Special Committee on Deceased Members respectfully submit the following report:

With tender, reverent tread we pause on the threshold of labor to pay loving tribute to the memory of 259 brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction who have been summoned during the past year to the rest and refreshment of the City and Temple not made with hands. We treasure their memories as a holy heritage; we enshrine their virtues in the holy of holies of our hearts; and our affection canonizes them in a saints' calendar not recognized by pope or council. A blessed

sanctity tempers our grief in the presence of the awful mystery which baffles our knowledge—a mystery which they have solved. Like the beautiful setting sun, after a career of honor and usefulness, gradually sinks into rest, so our brethren have reached the end of life's journey. These evidences of mortality remind us that we, too, are mortal, and admonish us to be ever ready to respond to the solemn summons when it comes to us.

Bro. Royal Hatch Gove, Past Grand Master, died at Rochester, Minn., Feb. 28, 1903, aged 73 years. He was a type of the true, courteous, upright man and brother.

Bro. William Tuttle Rigby, Past Deputy Grand Master, died at Clear Water April 22, 1903. Sturdy and rugged as the giant oak, he stood the storms of life bravely. Although his life is ended his work lives, and his zeal and sterling worth will long inspire the brethren who knew him.

The grim messenger, Death, has visited many of our sister jurisdictions and summoned many distinguished members, as stated by the Grand Master. We recommend that their names be inscribed on a memorial page as an appendix to our proceedings.

A. G. PINKHAM,
W. W. WOLD,
ALBERT MARDEN,
*Committee.*

Concurred in.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LODGE RETURNS.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Returns respectfully report that we have examined the returns of all the lodges, and find them correct, with the following exceptions:

Overpayments were made by the following lodges: No. 12, $4.20; No. 22, 40 cents; No. 28, 40 cents; No. 29, 80 cents; No. 33, $3.60; No. 38, $1.60; No. 39, $4.40; No. 43, $1.60; No. 50, 80 cents; No. 54, $1.20; No. 60, $2.40; No. 62, $2; No. 83, 80 cents; No. 91, $1.20; No. 92, $1.20; No. 94, $1.60; No. 96, $2; No. 101, $2.80; No. 110, $2.40; No. 114, $2.40; No. 116, 40 cents; No. 117, 40 cents; No. 128, $2.40; No. 136, 80 cents; No. 139, $1.60; No. 152, $3.20; No. 155, 80 cents; No. 166, $1.20; No. 173, 40 cents; No. 179, 80 cents; No. 181, $6.80; No. 192, $2; No. 193, 80 cents; No. 199, $2.40; No. 203, 80 cents; No. 205, $2.40; No. 208, $2.80; No. 214, $2.40; No. 218, $1.60; No. 219, 40 cents; No. 220, $3.20; No. 222, $1.20; No. 226, 40 cents; No. 228, $1.60; No. 230, 80 cents; No. 232, $1.60; No. 234, $2.40; No. 235, 40 cents; No. 239, $8.40; No. 242, $1.20; No. 245, 40 cents; No. 246, $1.20; No. 247, $1.20; No. 248, 80 cents; No. 249, $2.40; No. 250, 40 cents; No. 253, $1.20.

Not signed by Master: Nos. 42, 193, 194, 219. Not signed by Secretary: Nos. 193. No seal attached: Nos. 57, 96, 187, 193, 202, 204, 214, 243, 244. Due Grand Lodge: No. 23, $2; No. 32, 80 cents; No. 251, 40 cents.

The greater part of the errors in overpayment are caused by paying dues on new members. We therefore recommend that the Grand Secretary send out with the blank returns printed instructions to Secretaries bearing on this point.

O. C. HANSON,
J. T. JOHNSON,
*Committee.*

Adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Appropriations recommend that the following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated from the general funds of the Grand Lodge for the following purposes:

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| For Grand Master H. R. Adams for expenses past year... | $300.00 |
| For Grand Secretary, salary for 1904..... | 1,250.00 |
| For Grand Secretary, two assistants..... | 25.00 |
| For Grand Secretary, contingent expenses..... | 225.00 |
| For Grand Secretary, office rent..... | 240.00 |
| For Grand Tyler C. J. Kruger..... | 25.00 |
| For printing proceedings and other printing..... | 600.00 |
| For deficiency printing, 1903..... | 55.75 |
| For pay roll, 1903..... | 2,603.10 |
| For Board of Custodians..... | 400.00 |
| For Insurance ..... | 70.00 |
| For Chairman Committee on Correspondence.·..... | 100.00 |
| For Grand Treasurer's bond..... | 30.00 |
| For W. S. Combs, 200 aprons for Grand Lodge..... | 24.00 |
| For P. S. Hendrickson, Secretary Masonic Union, preparing rooms for use of Grand Lodge..... | 23.50 |
| For H. R. Adams, moneys advanced for care of P.·. G.·. M.·. Nash ..... | 270.45 |

We further recommend the following appropriations for the relief of various lodges named below, the amounts to be paid to the Masters of the several lodges and to be applied in accordance with the petitions for relief of said lodges:

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| Morning Star No. 29, to reimburse Montana Lodge for burial of Bro. Albert Keith | $58.19 |
| Antiquity No. 91, widow Bro. D. Watson of St. Paul Lodge No. 3 | 100.00 |
| Relief No. 108, Bro. J. E. Getman | 100.00 |
| Delta No. 119, Mrs. Della Otis | 100.00 |
| Orion No. 138, Bro. L. B. Woolson | 100.00 |
| Uclid No. 198, Bro. Robert Stone | 100.00 |
| Mt. Herman No. 219, Bro. A. J. Erickson | 100.00 |

Your committee further recommend the payment by the Grand Treasurer in monthly installments to the following named persons of the following amounts:

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| R.·. W.·. Bro. J. T. Lombard, Hudson, Wis | $200.00 |
| R.·. W.·. Bro. A. Marden | 100.00 |
| Mrs. E. C. Pierson, St. Paul | 360.00 |
| Mrs. Alice Goodrich, Chicago | 150.00 |

Your committee on examining the returns of the several lodges to which relief was granted at the last Annual Communication find unexpended balances in the hands of said lodges as follows:

Antiquity No. 91, $3.45; Red Wing No. 8, $33; Rochester No. 21, $31.06; Fidelity No. 39, $21.87; Hermann No. 219, $7.35; and recommend that the said lodges be required to pay to the Grand Secretary all such unexpended balances; and that the following lodges be required to make report of amounts appropriated in 1903: Sherburne No. 95, Lincoln No. 226 and Park Region No. 227.

Your committee further recommend that the sum of $2,000 be transferred from the general fund to the widows' and orphans' fund.

Your committee further recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to again notify all lodges that applications for appropriations for relief from the funds of this Grand Lodge must be made on the forms provided by this Grand Lodge, and by vote and under seal of the lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

S. S. KILVINGTON,
W. B. PATTON,
A. M. HAYES,
*Committee.*

Bro. J. A. Schmahl (91) moved an amendment that $200 be substituted for $100 in the case of Mrs. Watson. After explanations amendment was withdrawn. Bro. H. J. Ramsett (104) moved an amendment that $100 be added for the relief of

Mrs. Carrie Odell. Amendment lost. Report of committee adopted.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

1.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred that portion of the address of the M.·. W.·. Grand Master, relating to "Waiver of Jurisdiction," having duly considered the same, fraternally report, that while recognizing and reciprocating the courtesy in the expressions of the Grand Lodges of North Dakota and Iowa in assenting to and requesting such waiver, your committee are of the opinion that compliance therewith would result in the impairment and infringement of the lawful, if not the constitutional, limits of this Grand Lodge, as well as of the individual lodges of this jurisdiction, and would result in confusion among the border lodges. The American rule of territorial jurisdiction, sanctioned by the constitutions, laws and regulations of our several grand jurisdictions, should be steadily and strictly observed and adhered to, in order to preserve the unity and integrity of our institution in its peaceful and fraternal relations with our sister jurisdictions. The wishes of our sister Grand Lodges can be met, as your committee believe, by adhesion to the rule ever existing, sanctioned by usage and law, namely, by individual petitioners to their nearest lodges, applying through the W.·. Master to the Grand Master of their respective jurisdictions for a dispensation to apply to the nearest lodge in the neighboring jurisdiction, which is, we believe, invariably granted. Your committee therefore fraternally report that such waiver by states is inadmissible and of doubtful constitutionality.

Concurred in.

2.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the preambles and resolution offered yesterday, by Past Grand Master H. R. Wells, relative to Bro. George R. Metcalf, respectfully report, concurring in the preambles, and recommending the adoption of the resolution, with that part providing that he be made a permanent member of this Grand Lodge eliminated, so that it shall read as follows:

*Resolved*, That as a merited and just recognition of the eminent services to the craft, of Bro. George Reuben Metcalf, and as a

tribute to his worth as a Mason, his portrait and a biographical sketch of his life, be published as an appendix to the proceedings of this Annual Communication.*

Adopted.

3

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the proposed amendments to the Grand Lodge Constitution and General Regulations as reported by the committee appointed at the session of this Grand Lodge in 1900, fraternally report that they have considered the same as published in the volume designated as the "Masonic Code of Minnesota, 1900," and have found, upon examination, that such amendments and revisal will prove of material assistance and improvement in the government and regulation of the affairs of the Grand Lodge and its subordinates in this grand jurisdiction. Your committee therefore fraternally recommend that the amended General Regulations of this Grand Lodge, as reported and published in said Masonic Code, be approved and adopted. Your committee further recommend that the proposed amendments to the Grand Lodge constitution, as printed in said Code, be concurred in, and that said amended constitution be published with the proceedings of this session, distributed to the lodges in this jurisdiction and reported to this Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication for its further consideration and action.

H. R. WELLS,
CHAS. GRISWOLD.
H. R. DENNY,
A. T. STEBBINS,
G. S. IVES,
*Committee.*

Adopted.

The question was put on adopting the General Regulations of the Grand Lodge, as published in the Masonic Code,

*The following letter will explain the non-appearance of the portrait and sketch provided for in the resolution: [G. SEC.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Feb. 2, 1904.

*Thomas Montgomery, Esq.,*
Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Minnesota,

DEAR SIR AND R.·. W.·. BRO.: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your official communication of yesterday.

While thoroughly and gratefully appreciating the kindness and fraternally expressed resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge, I am constrained to say that there is no reason why the Grand Lodge should be put to such needless trouble and expense. My portrait has already been published in the Proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of 1899, issued as an appendix to the Grand Lodge Proceedings of that year, and a brief sketch of my life will unquestionably appear, sooner or later, in the obituary notices of the Veteran Association, should that organization survive me. I am,

Fraternally yours,
GEORGE R. METCALF.

and as recommended by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the same were declared adopted by the requisite two-thirds vote of the members present.

Bro. H. R. Wells then moved that the Grand Lodge Constitution, as amended and published in the Masonic Code, be concurred in, as recommended by the Committee on Jurisprudence. The motion was declared carried by the requisite two-thirds vote of the members present. In fact, the vote on the last two questions was practically unanimous.

See Appendix for Constitution as amended.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your special committee, appointed to consider so much of the Grand Master's address as refers to District Deputies, beg leave to report as follows:

1. That we deem the matter of visitation and instruction to be of vital importance to the prosperity and welfare of the subordinate lodges and this Grand Lodge.

2. We believe that if the District Deputies were permitted to attend as members of this Grand Lodge and have a voice in its deliberations, they would be more enthusiastic in their work and better service would be given the different lodges in their respective districts and the importance of the high office as the representative of the Grand Master would certainly be more appreciated by them.

Therefore your committee respectfully recommend the following amendment to the General Regulations: Insert in Sec. 63, Art. I., after the words "Junior Grand Wardens" the following: "District Deputy Grand Masters."

We further report that the question of appointment of Deputies and their compensation, together with the printing of their reports, are fully covered, as found in the proceedings of 1900, page 37, which report was adopted by this Grand Lodge in 1901, page 41.

A. T. STEBBINS,
A. BRANDENBURG,
THOMAS T. WARHAM,
*Committee.*

Referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Bro. A. T. Stebbins offered the following:

Amend Sec. 63, Article I. of the General Regulations, by inserting after the words "Junior Grand Wardens," the words "District Deputy Grand Masters."

Referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, by Bro. H. R. Wells, chairman, asked for and were granted time until the next Annual Communication in which to make their report on said proposed amendment.

REPORT ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report that they have carefully searched for unfinished business, and can find nothing not already reported to this Grand Lodge.

EDGAR NASH,
H. HAWLEY,
PETER SHARP,
*Committee.*

Concurred in.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VISITORS.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge:*

Your Committee on Examination of Visiting Brethren respectfully report that they have discharged their duty to the best of their ability, and trust that every visiting brother will have a kindly remembrance of his visit to our Grand Lodge.

ISRAEL B. B. SPRAGUE,
H. A. BURNES,
*Committee.*

Concurred in.

The Committee on Ancient Landmarks reported verbally that nothing came before them for consideration.

On motion of the Grand Secretary the usual vote of thanks was tendered the St. Paul Masonic Union for the free use of this hall and other apartments used by Grand Lodge, and to the several railroads traversing Minnesota for reduced fare.

The Grand Master-elect announced the following as the appointed officers:

W.·. Bro. Luis G. Hoffman, St. Paul.....Grand Orator
W.·. Bro. Alfred G. Pinkham, Owatonna.....Grand Chaplain
W.·. Bro. Charles L. Sawyer, Minneapolis.....Senior Grand Deacon
W.·. Bro. Eugene E. Swan, Stewart.....Junior Grand Deacon
W.·. Bro. John D. Carroll, Newport.....Grand Marshal
W.·. Bro. R. A. W. McLeod, Lake City.....Grand Standard Bearer
W.·. Bro. H. W. Hendrickson, Montevideo.....Grand Sword Bearer
W.·. Bro. William P. Roberts, Minneapolis....Senior Grand Steward
W.·. Bro. Edwin H. Foot, Red Wing.....Junior Grand Steward
W.·. Bro. William A. Nolan, Grand Meadow.....Grand Pursuivant
W.·. Bro. Charles J. Kruger, St. Paul.....Grand Tyler

The grand officers elected and appointed were then duly installed into their respective offices by Grand Master H. R. Adams, Bro. E. C. Shibley (191) acting as Grand Marshal, except the Grand Orator and Grand Chaplain not present, who will be installed in their respective lodges.

The Grand Master appointed the following committees:

*On Returns of Lodges*—Bros. J. M. Rowley (21), O. C. Hanson (133), J. T. Johnson (99).

*On Correspondence*—Bros. Irving Todd (7), Thos. Montgomery (54), Geo. R. Metcalf (3).

He also re-appointed Past Grand Master Charles Griswold Custodian for the term of five years.

No further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed at 6 p. m. in AMPLE FORM, peace and harmony prevailing.

WILLIAM A. McGONAGLE,
*Grand Master.*

Thos. Montgomery

*Grand Secretary.*

# ORATION.

BY W.·. BRO. JOHN C. BENNETT, GRAND ORATOR.

*Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:*

Allured by the call of our Most Worshipful Grand Master, I almost forgot my want of ability to perform a duty assigned through the kindness of a partiality which forgets its interest in the exercise of its affection, and confides the task of practiced wisdom to the uncertain guidance of inexperience.

I felicitate you all on this auspicious occasion, and offer my ardent congratulations for the proud pinnacle upon which Masonry this day reposes in the jurisdiction of Minnesota.

Standing here amid the sacred memories of the first, on the golden threshold of the second, half-century of our existence as a Grand Lodge, the question is suggested: Will the second be as grand as the first? I believe it will.

> "Hope springs eternal in the human breast,
> Man never is but always to be blest."

Marvelous vistas open before the mind as we cast our eyes along the track of future time.

> "What of the future? Fair and bright!
> The cry still rings, 'Let there be light!'
> Long as the radiant sun shall rise
> To high noon from the eastern skies;
> Long as the rock-ribbed mountains stand,
> Like sentinels to guard our land,
> While changing seasons come and go
> To strew the flowers and sift the snow,
> Through winter's cold and summer's heat
> The Grand Lodge of our state shall meet,
> Her chair the throne of grace and power
> As it has been and is this hour."

Ours is an institution not intended to provide merely for the exigencies of a few years, but is destined to endure through a long lapse of ages, the events of which are locked up in the inscrutable decrees of Providence. A venerable fabric which has stood for cen-

turies, splendid and immutable; which time could not crumble, nor persecution shake, nor revolutions change; like some stupendous and majestic mountain, the earth rocking at its feet and the heavens roaring round its head, firmly balanced upon the best of principles and the most solid foundation.

Dynasties have changed; thrones have crumbled; kings and nations have mouldered away and joined their kindred dust. Through all these changes Masonry has stood immutable as adamant, and yet will she stand as a grand pyramid in the solitude of time, round whose summit eternity must play.

Institutions do not survive by accident. They live only through the possession and operation of everlasting principles; and, for this reason, Masonry, having been founded in the eternal fitness of things, will endure forever.

It is not my humble lips that can expatiate upon the merits of Freemasonry. Its worth cannot but be obvious to every person of sense. It furnishes us with some of the most valuable treasures of learning, inculcating principles and munitions calculated to develop the best type of man. And what a priceless acquisition education is! Without it the world is a dark, desolate and dreary cavern. But light up within the torch of knowledge and how wondrous the transition: The seasons change, the atmosphere breathes, the landscape lives; earth unfolds its fruits, ocean rolls in its magnificence, the heavens display their constellated canopy, and the grand animated spectacle of nature rises revealed before us; its varities regulated; its mysteries resolved. And awakened thus to the great world of truth and beauty, the universe daily becomes a sublime miracle.

Not a summer cloud sleeps in the blue air, or unfolds its pure fullness, or melts in the distance, but we are dissolved in a luxury of contemplation; all making us think of Him who spreads above the rose-tinted cloud of the summer sunset. Every flower that looks up and every star that looks down smiles to us the smile of the Grand Architect of the Universe; and every stream that dimples away, or thistle-seed that floats in the noon-tide, bears us onward through limitless seas of thought and joy to Him—

> "Who stoops to paint the insect's wing,
> And wheels His throne upon the rolling worlds."

What, with its memories of the past, its blessings of the present, and its hopes of the future, is Masonry not worth to us?

There is nothing that need make us waver in the faith we have in the aim and scope of the institution—which aim and scope should be more complete than the mere acquisition of knowledge; and in the rush and pressure of this modern age, hemmed in with its material wants and triumph begirt with petty expedients of politics and trade,

let us gather about our old altars and endeavor to form an adequate conception of what Masonry means.

No other institution can be compared to it as to duration. Students of human progress say that the longer an institution has endured unchanged, the more completely it is likely to become out of joint with the world's progress, and the more radical the change must be which shall bring it into correspondence with other lines of social evolution.

I think it was one of Minnesota's Grand Masters who said: "He knows little of Masonry who supposes that it repudiates the refinement and progressiveness of the age. Ancient and venerable as it is, looming up from the misty past as an institution grand and peculiar, enriched as it is with a halo of glory, it would fail in the fulfillment of its destiny, were it to do so. Nor is it any new light that is now seen in its glory and beauty in our great Temple of Freemasonry. It is the living flame of ancient days that is burning in its purity upon our altars." It is a beacon light, showing the way amid the storm and heat of party strife; a safe guide from the shoals and breakers of prejudice, ignorance and crafty interest; a leader of the people to a higher civilization.

We are sometimes perplexed in answering the question: What is Masonry? It has a broader significance than many recipients of the degrees are apt to give it. With some it is little more than a pompous round of ceremonies, adapted rather to dazzle the eye of sense than to enlighten the understanding, or affect the heart. A thing of form, instead of fact, of notion, instead of principle. The glib use of phrases which are only the catchwords of Masonry. Or, it may be, the adoption of modern expedients for making Masonry attractive, which end in vulgarizing it.

Let us not throw away the wine of Masonry to swallow the dregs. Let us not prefer form to essence and words to things. Let us think of Masonry in a wider, loftier view. Let us make it our ineffable calling to build up a spiritual temple, all the parts of which, fashioned by wisdom herself, shall be fitly framed together.

Our Most Worshipful Grand Master, at the last communication of the Grand Lodge, told us that "Masonry in its highest sense is Brotherhood; Brotherhood in its highest sense is Love; Love in its highest sense is the Spirit of God, for God is Love."

Ten thousand years of human experience have taught that if you want to taste the bitterest dregs of existence and curse the days, as one by one they come and go, *hate somebody.*

Down at the magnificent villa at Capua dwelt one Tiberius, the lord and master of the world, whose word was law; whose coffers were filled with gold, and whose whims were catered to by ten times ten thousand sycophants; and yet this Tiberius it was who once wrote to the great Roman Senate: "Conscript Fathers, what to say to you

beyond the fact that I am utterly and inexpressably miserable, I know not." The whole world trembled at beholding the audacity of his designs and the miracle of their execution. And yet, with such prodigious performances, he was of all men the most miserable. Each one of you can be wealthier than Tiberius. With nothing but a loving heart to go out in sympathy to aid suffering humanity, you may be richer than the mighty Caesar. Love of humanity was blighted in the heart of Tiberius. The dim notes of Love's pleasant song were heard by him as a reproachful spirit. Moaning in Æolian strains on the desert of his heart, where the hot siroccos of the world had withered its one bright oasis.

"Down through the chaos of our human laws
Love shines supreme, the great eternal cause.
God loved so much His thoughts burst into flame,
And from that sacred source creation came.
The heart which feels this holy light within
Finds God and man and beast and bird its kin.
All class distinctions fade and disappear.
Death is new life, and heaven he sees a-near.
Brother is he to 'ox' and 'Seraphim,'
'Slave to the wheel,' mayhap, yet kings to him,
And millionaires, seem paupers, if from them
Life has withheld its luminous great gem.
Or if his badge be Sceptre, hoe, or hod,
This man is king, who knows that love is God."

Love! 'Tis a volume in a word, an ocean in a tear.

Masonry points to the hour-glass as an emblem of human life. As we watch the little particles pass away, we say: "Thus wastes man!"

It is of great use sometimes, when our indolence forgets that time is rapid, or our impatience actually reproaches it with being slow, to direct our thoughts to the rapid velocity of its flight. Many circumstances familiar to our observation in the economy of nature awaken reflection on the continual, the speedy and the irrevocable lapse of time. Such reflection may be suggested by the rapid course and quick disappearance of a meteor. One of those transient fires has often started suddenly on our sight and shot across a tract of sky, glancing past star after star, expending its fleeting lustre, its first brilliance and its last, moving but to expire; darting into annihilation with a haste more urgent than the eagerest wish of an atheist. Thus, too, the days by which we measure our departing time fly away, vanishing into the eternal night of the past—"Every beating pulse we tell, leaves but the number less." The fatal period will soon be at hand, and we, too, shall pass like a dry leaf from a tree, like an icicle melting in the south wind, like a pebble loosened from a steep declivity and instantly lost in the pit or torrent at the bottom.

One of our monitors teaches that the loss of a single hour, either by non-employment or bad employment, is the utter and irretrievable loss of a link from the chain of eternal progress. That these hours, when rightly measured and devoted to duty, charity, the general service of humanity, and all worthy actions, become ministers of joy and angels of mercy, rendering man invulnerable to the storms of life and those casualties which disturb his peace. Let us move onward. Let us fix our eyes upon the future while we break the last link in the chain of listlessness that binds us to the past, and deliberately advance. And when the shadows of the supreme hour hover round us and we hear, coming nearer and nearer, the dashing of the waves on the Eternal Shore, we will not go—

"Like the quarry slave at night
Scourged to his dungeon, but sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach the grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

Masonry further teaches us the eternal truth of man's immortality. How feebly can a faltering tongue express the vast idea. Tenants of a hovel for a day,—we are heirs of the universe forever! Oh, death, what art thou?—strange and solemn alchymist, elaborating life's elixir from these clayey crucibles: Antitype of nature's marvels, the seed and dormant chrysalis bursting into energy and glory. When the unchangeable is changed, and the arm of Omnipotence is broken—then, and not 'till then, shall the quenchless soul have reached the goal of its existence.

This principle of life is inherent in all matter. There is no ground, that I know of, for believing that throughout all the worlds that exist in the immensity of space a single atom has ever yet been or ever will be annihilated. And if amidst the perpetual changes, transformations and revolutions that are going on throughout universal nature, no particle of matter is ever lost, is it not in the highest degree probable that the thinking principle in man will not be destroyed by the change which takes place at the moment of dissolution? The gospel of Masonry preaches life and immortality. Nothing can avail to quench or overwhelm the spark of soul within us. Worms may fatten on the brain; they cannot gnaw the mind! Clay and soul, commingled wisely, mingled not confused.

"There is no death! The stars go down
To shine upon some fairer shore,
And bright in heaven's jeweled crown
They shine for ever more."

The functions of Masonry ought to be directed to the most utilitarian ends. Many of us have been pursuing two constantly diverging

paths; our ideal aims ceasing to qualify and shape our practical endeavors. If our lodges are to become the chosen haunts of gracious, ennobling influences, let us gather our brethren around us in an emulation and rivalry of love, and wield that spontaneous, rythmic influence which flows from soul to soul, and lives forever and forever. Masonry so unfolded as to bring into the common daily life of men the influences of its teachings. Were man impressed as fully and as strongly as he ought to be with its lessons, his moral life would be regulated by the force of that belief. To be of value, it must, according to its design, make its votaries wiser, better and, consequently, happier men. We must remember our vows. That our obligations are not truly learned by their committal to memory. They must be carried into practical effect. Let us at least be mentally faithful to ourselves. The moral mischief produced in society by mental lying is beyond calculation. When a man has so far corrupted and prostituted the chastity of his mind as to subscribe his professed belief in things he does not believe, and promises the performance of solemn obligations with no thought of their fulfillment, he must have lost his own respect, other men's esteem and is selling honesty for interest. Let none of us suffer the bubbles of self-interest to float upon the stream of duty. Honesty, of every kind, is approved by God and man. Yea,—when the shattered globe shall rock in the throes of dissolution, still will he stand in his integrity, sublime—an honest man.

The cultivated Mason is not the Mason who has mastered truth, but the man who has been mastered by it; the man in whose soul the love of truth is the sovereign principle; whose inner citadel of reason and desire is garrisoned with all noble and just and rational convictions; whose feet are swift to run in the pathway of gracious magnanimous acts.

Masonry is not designed simply to pass away a leisure hour. It is practical. Entering into our daily actions, sympathies and affections; having for its great object the improvement of the morals and the amelioration of the condition of our race.

Twenty-five centuries ago a figure clothed in mail, and wearing a regal crown, was seen one morning standing on the western shore of the Indian Ocean, gazing with intense longing across the mighty waste of waters, as if questioning whether in those unknown spaces there might not be other continents—the homes of powerful nations. That figure was the world's conqueror—Alexander the Great. He beat his breast in agony, and wept that nothing remained to be acquired. His ambition had reached the fullest possible gratification—yet he sighed for other and larger fields to subdue. Losing sight of the truth that it is the man who makes glad the lives of others that develops into the noblest and best type of the race. A truth taught hundreds of years before the Christian era by the Greek Poet Menander, when he wrote: "'Tis not to live, to live

for self alone." We must live for others. We must let the light shine in adversity, so that when the clouds of woe collect around a suffering brother, and shades and darkness dim the wanderer's path, our light shall shine forth to cheer him, an emblem and an emanation of the Heavens. Alike to Masonry are the varieties of faith and the vicissitudes of country; she has no object but the happiness of man, no bounds but the extremities of creation; her arms ever open to receive the victims of sorrow, distress and suffering; spreading her heavenly wings over the drooping forms of the heart-broken widow and lonely orphan in the shadow of their sorrow; giving hope to shed her radiant light upon their pathway to cheer them on.

The American people are not strangely lacking in the virtue of gratitude. They have as much of that quality as any other people. They seldom fail to reward with their esteem a millionaire who gives away his money freely, even when self-advertisement stands out all over the gift. Why, then, is an exception made of one who is dotting our country with public libraries? Why do his princely gifts annoy and irritate? The question was put and answered in a recent publication. The reason given was substantially this: Because of the absence of sympathy, of pity, of affection, of heart in the gifts. They come out of his pocket, not out of himself. He has confessed to a luxurious indifference to the needs of the poor and unfortunate. His budding hopes have never been nipped by the blast of adversity, and he turns his eyes with contemptuous disgust from the cheerless scenes of penury and distress to the dazzling glare of his own environment. His secretaries destroy the appeals of the losers in the battle of life. And that is the flaw that nearly every one unconsciously detects in his benefactions. They are cold, methodical, statistical. They consist in a transfer of certain millions of dollars from his bank account to that of the trustees of a library. No human pulse was ever made to beat faster by such an act of calculated altruism. The philanthropist sits at home, safeguarded from the thronging woes of humanity, and writes a check which enables men to build a structure upon which his name shall be carved in enduring blocks of stone.

And thus, I sometimes think, we, as Masons, are too methodical in our benefactions to those whom we are bound to protect; confined as the gifts largely are to distribution through the medium of the lodges, where sometimes the dispensations are made in too cold and unfeeling a manner. Are not our worthy beneficiaries sometimes frozen by the nature of the gifts and offended by the manner in which they are given? Money is not everything in this world. It is sometimes easier to give a dollar than to give a word of good cheer. We, as Masons, should give both. I hope there are no brethren who give neither. I trust there is not a Mason in this jurisdiction so destitute of good works as was the subject of a little anecdote I once read.

A dying felon, in Ireland, after confessing all the enormities of his career, was asked by the priest if he could not recollect one single good action of his life to be put to the credit of his never-dying soul, to which the answer was———"No, Father———God forgive me, not one—not a single———Oh, yes, I now remember,———I once shot a gauger."

I would plead for a more practical Masonry. A repudiation of systematic inertia. A declaration of a principle, but more: the incarnation of that principle in action. Sympathy is the solvent. Numbers of people walk up and down along their own narrow plank of self-enjoyment, thinking not of those who are entitled to their help. We should—

"Wipe the tear from sorrow's eye,
And sigh with those whom grief has taught to sigh,
Often cross the widow's door,
And soothe her grief by adding to her store;
Cheer the orphan on his lonely road,
And win the guilty wanderer back to virtue's blest abode."

It is very delightful to listen to a dissertation on astronomy, that art by which we observe the motions, measure the distances and calculate the periods and eclipses of the heavenly bodies. But the moral laws that appeal to the conscience are more vital than the physical laws that we comprehend by the intellect. A story of human sorrow and grief touches the heart more nearly than any star shining in the milky way. In the practical problems before us we feel an interest that we cannot feel in any question of astronomy.

Far be it from me to discourage a contemplation of the glorious works of the Creator and a deep study of that art which we as Masons term "Divine." For innumerable years it has been classed as the first and noblest of sciences. In long past ages Anaximander and Pythagoras, Greek philosophers of the sixth century, studied other worlds than ours; and later Galileo and Newton dwelt upon the interesting theme. We are shown that besides the world on which we live, other worlds exist as well cared for and as nobly planned. Nay, astronomers see globes by the side of which our earth would seem as but a tiny speck; we trace these globes as they sweep with stately motion on their appointed courses; we watch the return of day on the broad expanse of their surface; and we see systems of satellites which are suspended as lights for their nocturnal skies. We find that our sun is matched by a thousand thousand suns amid the immeasurable depths of space; and the mind's eye pictures other worlds like those which course around the sun, traveling in stately orbits around his fellow luminaries.

Could a man be placed in a situation, and endowed with the power of vision, to behold at one view, and to contemplate deliberately, the

structure of the universe; to mark the movement of the several planets, the cause of their varying appearances, the unerring order in which they revolve, even to the remotest comet; their connection and dependence on each other, and to know the system of laws established by the Creator, that governs and regulates the whole, he would then conceive, far beyond what any theologian can teach him, the power, the wisdom, the vastness, and the munificence of the Creator in those sacred pages the celestial hemisphere. His mind, exalted by the scene, and convinced by the fact, would increase in gratitude as it increased in knowledge; his worship would become united with his improvement as a man. And, in contemplating the scene, he could appreciate that all those worlds were made by a Divine Artist, and are all controlled by the same unerring law. A lesson taught in the nineteenth Psalm and beautifully paraphrased into English verse by Addison:

"The spacious firmament on high,
With all the blue ethereal sky,
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,
Their great original proclaim.
The unwearied sun, from day to day,
Does his creator's power display;
And publishes to every land
The work of an Almighty hand."

What a limited scene does this world, with all its glories, exhibit when put in comparison with the extent and splendors of that empire which stretches out into immensity and shall endure forever! And is it reasonable to suppose or to hope that man in any sense shall be transported to other regions of the infinite universe, to mingle with the inhabitants of other worlds and to exist throughout an endless duration? If so, what a glorious futurity we may picture for ourselves in our endless transmigration from world to world, from star to star, and from planet to planet, from one scene of existence to another, constantly enjoying the happy and delightful association of the glorified celestial inhabitants, and endlessly praising and glorifying the Grand Architect of all.

Finally, let us remember that Freemasonry is far removed from all that is trivial, selfish and ungodly. Its principles are founded on the adamantine rock of eternal truth. Its structure is built upon the everlasting foundation of that God-given law—the Brotherhood of Man. We welcome worthy men of all creeds and every race, but insist that all shall stand upon an exact equality. This solidarity—fellowship with our kind—is the foundation of our institution. The love of our fellow man arouses the desire to serve the race, it leads to self-government, universal suffrage and legislation inspired alone by the welfare of the community.

The immortal preamble of the American Declaration of Independence, away back in 1776, pledges to us the three great birth-rights—life, liberty, and happiness. "We hold these truths to be self-evident; that all men are created equal, with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; that to secure these rights governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed." This is the greatest social conception ever formed by the human mind. It is too soon, in our day, to look for pure perfection midst the sons of earth.

> "Even here already patriots learn to steal
> Their private perquisites from public weal
> And, guardians of the country's sacred fire,
> Like Afric's priests, let out the flame for hire."

Nevertheless, we may still dream of virtue while we see much sin. All our knowledge, all our enlightenment, has come to humanity in the course of its natural development and as the result of its internal vital energies. Truth is omnipotent and must prevail; it forces its way with the fire and precision of the morning sunbeam. Vapors may impede the infancy of its progress; but the very resistance that would check only condenses and concentrates it, until at length it goes forth refulgent in the beauties of the world to which it leads. Man's destiny is to progressive civilization, and a condition of society which makes progressive civilization the exclusive property of the few, stands in the present age self-condemned.

> "Here godlike liberty's herculean youth,
> Cradled in peace, and nurtured up by truth
> To full maturity of nerve and mind,
> Shall crush the giants that bestride mankind."

Captain Mahan, writing not as a theologian, but as a naval strategist and historian, has well observed:

"However far it has wandered, and however short of its pattern it has come, the civilization of modern Europe grew up under the shadow of the cross, and what is best in it still breathes the spirit of the crucified."

And Masonry, tilting against the spectres of the past and liberating the imprisoned energies of the human spirit, will promulgate the message of the Nazarene Carpenter, until the civilization of to-day shall be supplanted by a civilization of truth, equality and brotherhood. Humanity which is to-day an abstract idea, will then be a fact.

Happy the later-born generations, whose lot it shall be to live in the pure atmosphere of the future, flooded with its brighter sunshine, in this perpetual fellowship, true, enlightened, free and good. And let us hope that then, too, our own glorious Republic shall rise sovereign of the ascendant. A country which even now presents a subject for

human congratulation. The American banner now floats in the van of human progress. Its emblematic eagle soaring with unblenching gaze full in the sunlight of a higher, nobler and purer civilization than ever before kindled the aspirations of any other people.

Mazzini tells us that upon a day in the sixteenth century, at Rome, some men bearing the title of Inquisitors, who assumed to derive wisdom and authority from God himself, were assembled to decree the immobility of the earth. A prisoner stood before them. His brow was illumined by genius. He had outstripped time and mankind, and revealed the secret of a world.

It was Galileo! The old man shook his bold and venerable head. His soul revolted against the absurd violence of those who sought to force him to deny the truth revealed to him by God. But his pristine energy was worn down by long suffering and sorrow; the monkish menace crushed him. He strove to submit. He raised his hand, he, too, to declare the immobility of the earth. But as he raised his hand, he lifted his weary eyes to that heaven they had searched throughout long nights to read thereon one line of the universal law; they encountered a ray of that sun which he so well knew motionless amid the moving spheres. Remorse entered his heart: an involuntary cry burst from the believer's soul: "Eppur so muove"—and yet it moves.

Three centuries have passed away. Inquisitors,—inquisitions,—absurd these imposed by force,—all have disappeared. Naught remains but the well-established movement of the earth and the sublime cry of Galileo floating above the ages. Child of humanity raise thy brow to the sun of God and read upon the heavens: "It moves." Faith and action! The future is ours.

# APPENDIX A—GRAND OFFICERS.

ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE G.·. L.·. OF MINNESOTA, FROM ITS ORGANIZATION, FEB. 24, 1853, TO THE PRESENT TIME.

| Date Installed. | Grand Master. | No. | Deputy G.·. M.·. | No. | Senior G.·. W.·. | No. | Junior G.·. W.·. | No. | G.·. Treasurer. | No. | G.·. Secretary. | No. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Feb. 24, 1853 | A. E. Ames*..... | 2 | A. Goodrich*..... | 3 | D. F. Brawley*... | 3 | A. Van Vorhes*.. | 1 | E. Case*..... | 2 | J. G. Lennon*.... | 2 |
| Jan. 3, 1854 | A. E. Ames*..... | 2 | D. F. Brawley*... | 3 | A. Van Vorhes*.. | 1 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | E. Case*..... | 4 | H. Reynolds¶..... | 2 |
| Jan. 5, 1855 | M. Sherburne*.... | 5 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | C. T. Stearns§*... | 2 | A. Van Vorhes*.. | 1 | E. Case*..... | 4 | H. Reynolds¶..... | 2 |
| Jan. 11, 1856 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | H. N. Setzer*.... | 1 | Thos. J. Lombard | 6 | E. A. Hodgson‡.. | 4 | E. Case*..... | 4 | H. Reynolds¶..... | 2 |
| Jan. 8, 1857 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | Wm. H. Mower*.. | 1 | E. A. Hodgson‡.. | 4 | William Lee*..... | 7 | E. Case*..... | 4 | Geo. W. Prescott§ | 5 |
| Jan. 8, 1858 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | D. B. Loomis*... | 1 | Frank Mantor*... | 11 | A. C. Smith*..... | 3 | E. Case*..... | 4 | Geo. W. Prescott§ | 5 |
| Oct. 27, 1858 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | D. B. Loomis*... | 1 | Frank Mantor*... | 11 | Samuel E. Adams | 16 | E. Case*..... | 19 | Geo. W. Prescott§ | 5 |
| Oct. 26, 1859 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | D. B. Loomis*... | 1 | Samuel E. Adams | 16 | J. C. Whipple*... | 9 | E. Case*..... | 19 | Geo. W. Prescott§ | 5 |
| Oct. 25, 1860 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | D. B. Loomis*... | 1 | J. C. Whipple*... | 9 | C. W. Thompson* | 17 | E. Case*..... | 19 | Geo. W. Prescott§ | 5 |
| Oct. 23, 1861 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | J. C. Whipple*... | 9 | L. E. Thompson* | 1 | George Bradley*.. | 31 | E. Case*..... | 19 | Geo. W. Prescott§ | 5 |
| Oct. 28, 1863† | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 | L. E. Thompson* | 1 | C. H. Lindsley¶.. | 21 | W. T. Rigby*.... | 23 | E. Case*..... | 19 | Geo. W. Prescott§ | 5 |
| Oct. 26, 1864 | Geo. W. Prescott§ | 5 | L. E. Thompson* | 1 | E. C. Wells*..... | 31 | A. B. Curry¶..... | 23 | Geo. L. Otis*.... | 5 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Oct. 25, 1865 | Geo. W. Prescott§ | 5 | P. P. Hubbell*... | 18 | G. B. Cooley*.... | 11 | A. J. Phelps*..... | 34 | Geo. L. Otis*.... | 5 | C. W. Carpenter* | 5 |
| Oct. 24, 1866 | Charles W. Nash. | 35 | W. T. Rigby*.... | 28 | Robert Stewart*.. | 49 | S. R. Merrell*.... | 40 | Geo. L. Otis*.... | 5 | Wm. S. Combs... | 5 |
| Oct. 23, 1867 | Charles W. Nash. | 35 | R. A. Jones*..... | 21 | S. R. Merrell*.... | 40 | S. Y. Hyde..... | 49 | Geo. L. Otis*.... | 5 | Wm. S. Combs... | 5 |
| Jan. 15, 1869† | Charles W. Nash. | 35 | R. A. Jones*..... | 21 | S. R. Merrell*.... | 40 | S. Y. Hyde..... | 49 | Geo. L. Otis*.... | 5 | Wm. S. Combs... | 5 |
| Jan. 13, 1870 | Charles W. Nash. | 35 | G. B. Cooley*.... | 11 | S. Y. Hyde..... | 49 | Fred Joss*..... | 8 | Geo. L. Otis*.... | 5 | Wm. S. Combs... | 5 |
| Jan. 12, 1871 | Charles W. Nash. | 35 | C. Griswold..... | 49 | E. D. B. Porter‡. | 12 | J. W. Morford*.. | 33 | Geo. L. Otis*.... | 5 | Wm. S. Combs... | 5 |
| Jan. 12, 1872 | G. B. Cooley*.... | 11 | C. Griswold..... | 49 | J. N. Castle*..... | 1 | E. P. Barnum*... | 60 | Geo. L. Otis*.... | 5 | Wm. S. Combs... | 5 |
| Jan. 15, 1873 | C. Griswold..... | 49 | J. N. Castle*..... | 1 | Edgar Nash..... | 79 | I. B. Cummings*. | 18 | Geo. L. Otis*.... | 5 | E. D. B. Porter‡. | 12 |
| Jan. 15, 1874 | C. Griswold..... | 49 | J. N. Castle*..... | 1 | Edgar Nash..... | 79 | I. B. Cummings*. | 18 | George A. Camp* | 2 | E. D. B. Porter‡. | 12 |
| Jan. 13, 1875 | C. Griswold..... | 49 | J. C. Braden*.... | 89 | I. B. Cummings*. | 18 | H. R. Wells..... | 36 | George A. Camp* | 2 | E. D. B. Porter‡. | 12 |
| Jan. 13, 1876 | J. C. Braden*.... | 89 | I. B. Cummings*. | 18 | H. R. Wells..... | 36 | A. J. Edgerton*.. | 11 | George A. Camp* | 2 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 11, 1877 | J. C. Braden*.... | 89 | E. W. Durant.... | 1 | L. Z. Rogers*.... | 35 | C. O. Ball*..... | 7 | George A. Camp* | 2 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 16, 1878 | E. W. Durant.... | 1 | H. R. Wells..... | 36 | C. H. Benton*... | 4 | C. N. Daniels*... | 9 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 15, 1879 | Henry R. Wells.. | 36 | C. H. Benton*... | 4 | C. N. Daniels*... | 9 | George A. Camp* | 2 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 14, 1880 | Henry R. Wells.. | 36 | C. H. Benton*... | 4 | G. H. Davis..... | 23 | J. H. Brown*..... | 104 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 12, 1881 | Henry R. Wells.. | 36 | G. H. Davis..... | 23 | Henry R. Denny. | 111 | R. H. Gove*..... | 21 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 11, 1882 | C. H. Benton*... | 4 | G. H. Davis..... | 23 | Henry R. Denny. | 111 | R. H. Gove*..... | 21 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 10, 1883 | C. H. Benton*... | 4 | Henry R. Denny. | 111 | R. H. Gove*..... | 21 | A. P. Fitch§..... | 42 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 16, 1884 | Henry R. Denny. | 111 | R. H. Gove*..... | 21 | A. P. Fitch§..... | 79 | C. H. Smith*..... | 97 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 14, 1885 | Henry R. Denny. | 111 | R. H. Gove*..... | 21 | J. A. Kiester..... | 57 | A. Marden..... | 98 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 13, 1886 | R. H. Gove*..... | 21 | J. H. Brown*..... | 104 | J. A. Kiester..... | 57 | Alphonso Barto*. | 60 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 12, 1887 | J. H. Brown*..... | 104 | J. A. Kiester..... | 57 | Alphonso Barto*. | 60 | A. La Due..... | 11 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 13, 1888 | J. H. Brown*..... | 104 | J. A. Kiester..... | 57 | Alphonso Barto*. | 60 | Geo. S. Acker.... | 5 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |
| Jan. 17, 1889 | J. A. Kiester..... | 57 | Alphonso Barto*. | 60 | W. F. Dickinson* | 91 | Charles D. Boyce | 2 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | A. T. C. Pierson* | 5 |

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| Nov. | 30, | 1889 | ..... | ... | ..... | ... | ..... | ... | ..... | ... | ..... | ... | ..... | ... | ..... | ... | T. | Montgomery... | 54 |
| Jan. | 17, | 1890 | J. A. Kiester..... | 57 | Alphonso Barto*.. | 60 | W. F. Dickinson* | 91 | Charles D. Boyce | 2 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 15, | 1891 | Alphonso Barto*.. | 60 | W. F. Dickinson* | 91 | Charles D. Boyce. | 2 | H. C. Shepard.... | 18 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 14, | 1892 | Alphonso Barto..* | 60 | W. F. Dickinson* | 91 | C. L. Brown..... | 133 | Wm. B. Patton... | 79 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 12, | 1893 | W. F. Dickinson* | 91 | C. L. Brown..... | 133 | Charles L. West.. | 39 | J. D. Markham... | 146 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 11, | 1894 | C. L. Brown..... | 133 | Chas. L. West.... | 39 | J. F. Lawless..... | 3 | A. T. Stebbins... | 21 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 17, | 1895 | C. L. Brown..... | 133 | J. F. Lawless..... | 3 | A. T. Stebbins... | 21 | A. Brandenburg.. | 99 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 16, | 1896 | J. F. Lawless..... | 3 | A. T. Stebbins... | 21 | A. Brandenburg.. | 99 | J. H. Randall*.... | 4 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 14, | 1897 | J. F. Lawless..... | 3 | A. T. Stebbins... | 21 | A. Brandenburg.. | 99 | J. H. Randall*.... | 4 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 13, | 1898 | A. T. Stebbins... | 21 | A. Brandenburg.. | 99 | J. H. Randall*... | 4 | A. D. Countryman | 137 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 12, | 1899 | A. T. Stebbins... | 21 | A. Brandenburg.. | 99 | A. D. Countryman | 137 | Gid S. Ives..... | 54 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 18, | 1900 | A. Brandenburg.. | 99 | A. D. Countryman | 137 | Gid S. Ives..... | 54 | Henry R. Adams. | 224 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 24, | 1901 | Gid S. Ives..... | 54 | Henry R. Adams. | 224 | W. A. McGonagle | 79 | Enoch Stott..... | 18 | J. H. Thompson* | 19 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 23, | 1902 | A. D. Countryman | 137 | Henry R. Adams. | 224 | W. A. McGonagle | 79 | Enoch Stott..... | 18 | D. W. Knowlton. | 112 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Feb. | 25, | 1903 | Henry R. Adams. | 224 | W. A. McGonagle | 79 | Henry M. Tusler. | 163 | Thomas Morris... | 141 | D. W. Knowlton. | 112 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |
| Jan. | 21, | 1904 | W. A. McGonagle | 79 | Henry M. Tusler. | 163 | Thomas Morris... | 141 | Gustaf Widell..... | 12 | D. W. Knowlton. | 112 | T. | Montgomery... | 54 | | | | |

*Deceased. †No session of Grand Lodge in 1862 or 1868. ‡Expelled. §Withdrawn. ¶Stricken from roll of lodge.

## APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1904.

| No. | Name of Lodge. | Location. | Date of Charter. | Worshipful Master. | Senior Warden. | Junior Warden. | Secretary. | Time of Meeting. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | St. Johns | Stillwater | Feb. 24, '53 | Roy G. Staples | Fredk. W. Gail | C. Bayard Staples | Frank P. Burleigh | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 2 | Cataract | Minneapolis | " 24, '53 | Geo. P. Sjoblom | Edward E. Nicholson | Frank L. Gowen | W. H. J. Pearce | 1 Sat. |
| 3 | St. Paul | St. Paul | " 24, '53 | Fredk. J. Banister | Fredk. J. Plondke | Milton S. Mead | P. S. Hendrickson | 1 Fri. |
| 4 | Hennepin | Minneapolis | Jan. 2, '54 | Robert W. Bruce | Fred G. Dustin | John J. Bullis | Henry S. Mead | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 5 | Anc'nt Landmark | St. Paul | " 3, '54 | Owen Morris | Lawrence Hope | John K. Robinson | Milton T. Emery | 2 and 4 Ths. |
| 7 | Dakota | Hastings | " 9, '56 | L. W. Smock | J. E. Olson | F. L. Stoudt | Geo. A. Emerson | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 8 | Red Wing | Red Wing | " 9, '56 | F. D. Putnam | H. E. Shedd | W. F. Kunze | G. H. Diepenbrock | 1 Mon. |
| 9 | Faribault | Faribault | Oct. 25, '65 | J. F. Lindeman | O. M. Henderson | W. H. Robilliard | D. E. Goodman | 2 and 4 Mon. |
| 11 | Mantorville | Mantorville | Jan. 6, '57 | C. A. Miller | M. C. Shaver | A. A. Culver | J. E. Burdick | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 12 | Mankato | Mankato | " 6, '57 | Samuel B. Wilson | Fredk. Lyle Searing | Frank W. Bates | Harry Paddock | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 14 | Wapahasa | Wabasha | " 6, '57 | M. W. Dady | John R. Brown | Archie Corrier | A. J. Stone | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 16 | Monticello | Monticello | " 8, '57 | O. C. Chamberlain | C. D. Keen | H. N. Clarey | B. M. Barker | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 17 | Hokah | Hokah | " 8, '57 | L. T. Lyon | J. D. Becker | A. J. Snure | W. S. Moe | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 18 | Winona | Winona | " 8, '57 | Franklin S. James | Simon S. Strouse | John L. Krogstad | Joseph J. Hillmer | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 19 | Minneapolis | Minneapolis | " 7, '58 | C. C. Reynolds | George E. Young | A. F. Pray | Horace M. Myers | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 20 | Caledonia | Caledonia | " 7, '58 | F. A. Duxbury | O. K. Dahle | H. Franklin | F. B. Williams | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 21 | Rochester | Rochester | " 8, '58 | George B. Doty | T. H. Bliss | O. C Heyerdale | W. W. Churchill | 2 and 4 Mon. |
| 22 | Pleasant Grove | Pleasant Grove | " 8, '58 | John W. Kendall | John Harwood | Wm. Smith | F. W. Nutting | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 23 | North Star | St. Cloud | " 8, '58 | Wm. H. Thompson | Arthur L. Grabuon | Alfred H. Gates | John C. Munro | 2 and 4 Mon. |
| 24 | Wilton | Alma City | " 8, '58 | John H. Elmore | Wm. Schrieber | Ellian A. Runnels | H. E. Gates | 1 and 3 Ths. |
| 26 | Western Star | Albert Lea | Oct. 27, '58 | L. A. Hanes | N. C. Sorenson | C. S. Edwards | O. J. Wulff | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 27 | Blue Earth Val'y. | Winn'bago City | " 27, '58 | E. L. Allen | F. E. Cady | George Smythe | J. H. Sherin | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 28 | Clear Water | Clear Water | " 27, '58 | George E. Ring | Fred W. Hyatt | J. A. Trafton | Frank L. Smith | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 29 | Morning Star | La Crescent | " 26, '59 | Joseph Robillard | Addis Luther | M. W. Smith | Frank R. Smith | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 30 | Anoka | Anoka | " 26, '59 | Thomas J. Abbett | Oliver F. Warnes | P. G. Woodward | Frank Hart | * |
| 31 | King Hiram | Jordan | " 24, '60 | W. H. Phillips | Jacob Edelman | D. C. Strait | H. A. Engler | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 32 | Sakatah | Waterville | " 24, '60 | Geo. W. McConkey | J. W. Rounds | S. H. Farrington | E. Berrigan | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 33 | Star in the East | Owatonna | " 24, '60 | P. J. Kuntz | Wm. J. Lieb | A. G. Pinkham | P. G. Swanson | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 34 | Oriental | Cannon Falls | " 24, '60 | Nils N. Monson | Chas. L. Smith | Hiram E. Conley | Levi Manning | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 35 | Mount Moriah | Hastings | " 24, '60 | A. M. Hayes | C. E. Reed | W. G. Matteson | S. B. Rude | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 36 | Preston | Preston | " 23, '61 | Julius Johnson | Elmer Cummings | Fred E. Collett | W. R. Wells | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 37 | Mystic Tie | Pine Island | " 23, '61 | Westly Prentice | Westly Sheppard | J. A. McDougal | W. D. Hayward | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 38 | Washington | West Concord | " 23, '61 | E. H. Catlin | C. S. Day | Clayton E. Kirkland | L. R. Andrist | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 39 | Fidelity | Austin | " 28, '63 | J. H. Robertson | J. M. Rustad | M. O. Anderson | J. H. Anderson | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 40 | Carnelian | Lake City | " 28, '63 | W. J. Fladwed | A. W. Corwin | W. J. Lowrie | L. S. Lutz | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 41 | Hermon | Zumbrota | " 28, '63 | F. W. Fulkerson | C. W. Scofield | J. L. Williams | D. B. Scofield | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 42 | Hope | Glencoe | " 28, '63 | W. L. Tifft | L. P. Albrecht | Harold Nelson | C. V. Corson | 1 and 3 Sat. |

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| 43 | Harmony | Lewiston | Oct. | 28, | '63 | Lewis J. Baldwin | James E. Peters | John F. Madden | A. N. Johnson | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 44 | King Solomon | Shakopee | " | 28, | '63 | H. O. Smith | J. R. Buchanan | E. H. Ellsworth | C. C. Storer | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 45 | Union | Le Sueur | " | 26, | '64 | D. D. Sykes | M. P. Curtis | Robt. H. Cosgrove | Geo. W. Taylor | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 46 | Evergreen | Clyde | " | 26, | '64 | R. J. Walker | F. G. Sanders | N. G. Bain | H. B. Clawson | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 47 | Concord | Cleveland | " | 26, | '64 | George Simpson | J. H. Clark | W. C. Davis | Wm. Van Antwerp | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 48 | Social | Northfield | " | 26, | '64 | W. F. Manhart | J. W. Walden | R. D. Kelsey | D. D. Turner | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 49 | Rising Sun | St. Charles | " | 26, | '64 | Hiram C. Bear | Emil W. Heubach | E. J. Miller | R. A. Johnson | 1 and 3 Ths. |
| 50 | Watertown | Watertown | " | 25, | '65 | Guy E. Halgren | H. A. Malsed | J. G. Johnson | M. L. Malsed | * |
| 51 | Acacia | Cottage Grove | " | 25, | '65 | Irving T. Morey | Louis J. Crippen | J. A. McHattie, Jr. | Peter Thompson | ‡ |
| 52 | Cannon River | Morristown | " | 25, | '65 | George Molm | H. W. Donaldson | S. R. Miller | H. D. Widrick | * |
| 54 | Nicollet | St. Peter | " | 25, | '65 | James Bennett | Henry Hildebrandt | Charles Clark | Robert Scott | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 55 | Zion | Taylors Falls | " | 24, | '66 | Ed H. Folsom | E. E. Blanding | Lucius W. Snell | Geo. W. Seymour | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 56 | Meridian | Chatfield | " | 23, | '67 | E. W. Rossman | Geo. L. Gould | L. Jorgenson | Wm. H. Silsbee | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 57 | Blue Earth City | Blue Earth | " | 23, | '67 | C. N. Brown | M. M. Freer | F. V. Cummings | E. R. Butterfield | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 58 | Spring Valley | Spring Valley | " | 23, | '67 | Geo. M. Warren | Burdette Thayer | Chas. E. Lawrence | Edwin Kilburn | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 59 | Temple | Hutchinson | " | 23, | '67 | E. J. Stearns | M. S. Goodnow | S. G. Anderson, Jr. | Geo. H. Sivright | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 60 | Star in the West | Sauk Centre | " | 23, | '67 | M. A. Scherffius | Harold L. Lamb | Thomas W. Peart | P. Lamb | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 61 | Ashler | Eyota | " | 23, | '67 | George L. Wood | R. C. Dugan | H. R. Rhames | Geo. H. Bush | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 62 | Star | Rockford | " | 23, | '67 | O. M. Crawford | Chas. Bugbee | Wm. Jacobs | Geo. O. Crandall | † |
| 63 | Illustrious | Plainview | " | 23, | '67 | F. L. Gilbert | H. D. Smith | J. F. Thompson | L. T. Meachum | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 64 | Chain Lake | Fairmont | " | 23, | '67 | A. A. Horton | Wm. Bird, Jr. | C. H. Patsche | J. G. Mitchell | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 65 | Golden Rule | Lakeland | " | 23, | '67 | C. V. Holstrom | Henry C. Tyler | A. A. Davis | A. Dickinson | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 66 | Madelia | Madelia | " | 23, | '67 | L. A. Stone | F. L. Mullen | G. A. Baldwin | I. A. Helling | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 67 | Corinthian | Farmington | " | 23, | '67 | O. S. Lundberg | C. B. Whittier | A. K. Gray | H. H. Judson | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 69 | Mystic Star | Rushford | Jan. | 15, | '69 | Wm. Stage | Robert Milde | A. K. Hanson, Jr. | John A. Pederson | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 71 | Paynesville | New Payn'sville | " | 15, | '69 | Henry A. Wells | W. A. Huntington | Thos. C. Johnston | A. E. Bugbie | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 72 | Lansing | Lansing | " | 15, | '69 | O. C. La Bar | George Webber | Lee O. Thompson | John Thompson | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 73 | Brownsville | Brownsville | " | 15, | '69 | C. E. McCan | J. C. Beck | W. F. McCan | E. M. Winslow | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 75 | Eureka | Le Roy | " | 15, | '69 | Warren M. Walker | Chas. S. Harden | Frank W. Whitcomb | I. M. Wyckoff | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 76 | Joppa | Good Thunder | " | 15, | '69 | Chas. F. Ulrich | O. M. Reynolds | Nes Jepson | W. B. Falancer | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 77 | Tuscan | Waseca | " | 15, | '69 | John F. Murphy | Chas. A. Smith | Ralph D. Garland | O. J. Lawson | 2 and 4 Ths. |
| 78 | Mystic Circle | Houston | " | 15, | '69 | James E. Parish | John R. Gordon | S. B. McIntire | G. E. Dorival | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 79 | Palestine | Duluth | " | 12, | '70 | Stanley R. Holden | Guy A. Eaton | Chas. A. Bronson | Henry Nesbitt | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 80 | Henderson | Henderson | " | 12, | '70 | Aug. L. Poehler | Reinhard Schwartz | Peter Larson | Adam C. Buck | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 81 | Constellation | Alexandria | " | 12, | '70 | A. R. Campbell | E. A. Hensel | F. E. Raiter | J. J. Volker | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 82 | Howard | Howard Lake | " | 12, | '70 | E. H. Learned | J. H. Wager | John Buskirk | A. N. Carter | § |
| 83 | Huram Abi | Kasson | " | 14, | '70 | J. J. McCaughey | C. L. Chambers | C. C. Gleason | W. N. Parkhurst | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 84 | Orient | Money Creek | " | 11, | '71 | D. W. Robinson | Fred Wheeler | E. G. Campbell | A. G. Larson | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 85 | High Forest | High Forest | " | 11, | '71 | G. F. Brown | E. H. Englehart | Floyd Englehart | E. G. Armstrong | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 86 | Tyrian | Mazeppa | " | 11, | '71 | L. L. Mathews | J. McCabe | M. J. Rucker | A. R. Hawkinson | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 87 | Doric | Wells | " | 11, | '71 | E. D. Udell | R. F. Drake | G. M. Miller | John A. Klawisch | 1 and 3 Ths. |
| 89 | Golden Fleece | Litchfield | " | 10, | '72 | Jonathan W. Wright | John W. Johnson | S. C. Boom | August T. Koerner | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 90 | Good Faith | Jackson | " | 10, | '72 | H. H. Hold | John Burnham | H. M. Burnham | H. B. Robertson | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 91 | Antiquity | Redwood Falls | " | 10, | '72 | Wm. R. Caswell | Fred L. Warner | Earl Peabody | Wm. S. Brammer | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 92 | Fraternal | Princeton | " | 10, | '72 | Chas. A. Dickey | Wm. L. Hatch | J. F. Zimmerman | W. E. J. Gratz | 2 and 4 Wed. |

APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1904.—*Continued.*

| No. | Name of Lodge. | Location. | Date of Charter. | Worshipful Master. | Senior Warden. | Junior Warden. | Secretary. | Time of Meeting. |
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| 93 | Unity | Sauk Rapids | Jan. 10, '72 | G. S. Reeder | G. A. Chilgren | F. A. Sartell | W. H. Fletcher | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 94 | Keystone | Sleepy Eye | " 10, '72 | Thos. F. Addy | E. S. Rhoads | Carl J. Hansen | T. F. Talbot | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 95 | Sherburne | Elk River | " 10, '72 | F. D. Waterman | C. G. Scoboria | Peter Nelson | Andrew Davis | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 96 | Libanus | St. James | " 15, '73 | Chas. Engelbracht | Mark Fossom | Rolf H. Burnes | C. Ellsworth | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 97 | Prudence | Windom | " 15, '73 | Frank Stedman | Nels Anderson | F. M. Sieford | John J. Rupp | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 98 | Charity | New Ulm | " 15, '73 | Einor Hoidale | Ernest T. Critchett | John H. Siegel | G. Schmidt | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 99 | Corner Stone | Fergus Falls | " 15, '73 | E. A. Brown | N. F. Field | C. L. Hilton | R. E. Lincoln | 1 Tues. |
| 100 | Aurora | Brainerd | " 15, '73 | Judd Wright | Geo. O. Whitney | John P. Anderson | G. F. Mitchell | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 101 | Fraternity | Worthington | " 15, '73 | Harvey Hawley | Wilson Ager | W. E. Bloom | W. M. Evans | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 102 | Lebanon | Lanesboro | " 15, '73 | W. S. Henry | C. W. Oxley | A. C. Ronning | M. G. Fellows | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 103 | Bethel | Lake Crystal | " 15, '73 | Robert S. Hughes | Wm. R. Robinson | Richard J. Williams | C. G. Davis | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 104 | Sharon | Willmar | " 15, '73 | John C. Freese | Axel H. Roise | Chas. Oram | S. Berkness | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 106 | Mt. Tabor | Detroit | " 14, '74 | Leonard C. Weeks | C. M. Johnston | E. F. Harris | C. G. Sturtevant | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 108 | Relief | Dodge Center | " 14, '74 | Gus Crail | A. S. Palmerlee | H. A. Sterling | R. W. Gamsby | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 109 | Sunset | Montevideo | " 14, '74 | H. C. Stebbins | G. A. Parks | S. A. Chalman | E. B. Heiberg | 2 and last Fri. |
| 110 | Pickwick | Pickwick | " 13, '75 | W. H. Harrington | Geo. Sainsbury | E. A. Gross | Thos. B. Rand | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 111 | Carver | Carver | " 13, '75 | Jacob Bristle | Geo. C. E. Goetze | C. A. Franzen | O. C. Brunius | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 112 | Khurum | Minneapolis | " 13, '75 | C. R. Cooley | S. B. Washburn | O. E. F. Smith | D. W. Knowlton | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 113 | Excelsior | Excelsior | " 13, '75 | Byron W. Wilson | Miles S. Thurber | Sylvester H. Moody | C. E. Prince | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 114 | Ben Franklin | Luverne | " 13, '75 | C. O. Wright | C. A. Palmer | C. J. Martin | S. C. Rea | 1 and 3 Fri. |
| 115 | Elgin | Elgin | " 13, '75 | J. W. Bryant | R. L. Wood | D. W. Searles | W. P. Holton | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 116 | Lafayette | Brownsdale | " 12, '76 | A. B. Warren | J. N. Thacher | F. O. Tanner | G. W. Foster | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 117 | Granite | Granite Falls | " 12, '76 | J. G. C. Johnson | H. B. Dillingham | E. C. Hawkins | W. J. Rice | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 118 | Newport | Newport | " 12, '76 | J. M. Trickey | W. R. Sawyer | J. W. Banter | H. A. Durand | \|\| |
| 119 | Delta | Marshall | " 12, '76 | James C. Burchard | S. E. Whitmore | Chas. W. Hicks | E. S. Shepard | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 121 | Grand Meadow | Grand Meadow | " 12, '76 | Geo. A. Covell | Geo. E. Keenan | Geo. A. Wright | Philip Schleiger | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 122 | Kellogg | Kellogg | " 12, '76 | J. M. Wolfe | H. W. Canfield | John Canfield | E. J. Parker | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 123 | Prairie | Bloom'g Prairie | " 12, '76 | Ed Morton | Earl W. Johnson | Alpha C. Thomas | W. L. Bucksen | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 124 | Janesville | Janesville | " 12, '76 | M. A. Devereaux | Joel A. Goodrick | M. J. Ryan | L. D. Rogers | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 125 | Winslow Lewis | Osseo | " 10, '77 | D. W. Norris | W. W. Lawrence | Fred Biederman | Wm. Krueger | 2 and 4 Ths. |
| 126 | Moorhead | Moorhead | " 10, '77 | E. N. Wade | W. J. Awty | L. W. Hyde | F. J. Ambs | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 128 | Josephus | Mapleton | " 10, '77 | J. H. Dobie | E. Hadley | C. J. Laurich | Robt. Sutherland | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 129 | Swift | Benson | " 10, '77 | Ernest R. Aldrich | Headley J. Crooks | Wilbert Tullis | A. F. Nelson | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 131 | Alma | Lyle | " 16, '78 | Olaf G. Dahl | Andrew B. Anderson | B. M. Johnson | F. B. Losey | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 132 | Humboldt | Young America | " 16, '78 | J. W. Truwe | Ed O. Bachmann | Hy Vogler, Sr. | E. M. Lambert | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 133 | Golden Sheaf | Morris | " 16, '78 | Royal A. Stone | John A. Linne | Jesse J. Stock | Nels Olson | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 134 | Cokato | Cokato | " 15, '79 | Willis E. Corkins | J. A. Stenberg | J. C. Watson | J. A. Eklund | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 135 | Nelson | Buffalo | " 15, '79 | Wm. H. Cutting | Alfred E. Sturges | Edward A. Covey | S. R. Wells | 2 and 4 Mon. |

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| 136 | Walnut | Walnut Grove | Jan. | | | | | | |
| 137 | Appleton | Appleton | " | | | | | | |
| 138 | Orion | Atwater | " | | | | | | |
| 139 | Verndale | Verndale | " | | | | | | |
| 140 | Little Falls | Little Falls | " | | | | | | |
| 141 | Crookston | Crookston | " | | | | | | |
| 142 | Currie | Currie | " | | | | | | |
| 143 | Lakeview | Ortonville | " | | | | | | |
| 144 | Bird Island | Bird Island | " | | | | | | |
| 145 | Melrose | Melrose | " | | | | | | |
| 146 | Benton | Lake Benton | " | | | | | | |
| 147 | Canby | Canby | " | | | | | | |
| 148 | Quarry | Pipestone | " | | | | | | |
| 149 | Guardian | Brownton | " | | | | | | |
| 150 | Warren | Warren | " | | | | | | |
| 151 | Chaska | Chaska | " | | | | | | |
| 152 | Frontier | Breckenridge | " | | | | | | |
| 153 | Kodahya | Browns Valley | " | | | | | | |
| 154 | Norman | Ada | " | | | | | | |
| 155 | Tracy | Tracy | " | | | | | | |
| 156 | Wadena | Wadena | " | | | | | | |
| 157 | Perham | Perham | " | | | | | | |
| 158 | Hector | Hector | " | | | | | | |
| 159 | Long Prairie | Long Prairie | " | | | | | | |
| 160 | Plymouth | Minneapolis | " | | | | | | |
| 161 | Sincerity | Villard | " | | | | | | |
| 162 | Prescott | Herman | " | | | | | | |
| 163 | Summit | St. Paul | " | | | | | | |
| 164 | Jasper | Rush City | " | | | | | | |
| 165 | Minnehaha | Minneapolis | " | | | | | | |
| 166 | Garnet | White Bear | " | | | | | | |
| 167 | Agate | Campbell | " | | | | | | |
| 168 | Braden | St. Paul | " | | | | | | |
| 169 | Pierson | Barnesville | " | | | | | | |
| 170 | Fulda | Fulda | " | | | | | | |
| 171 | Shekinah | St. Paul | " | | | | | | |
| 172 | Marietta | Marietta | " | | | | | | |
| 173 | Plumb Line | Kimball | " | | | | | | |
| 174 | Valley | Glenwood | " | | | | | | |
| 175 | Roman Eagle | Adrian | " | | | | | | |
| 176 | Ark | Minneapolis | " | | | | | | |
| 177 | Rough Ashlar | Belle Plaine | " | | | | | | |
| 178 | Anchor | Royalton | " | | | | | | |
| 179 | King David | Elmore | " | | | | | | |
| 180 | Osakis | Osakis | " | | | | | | |

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| 15, | '79 | Fred W. Damp | Don O. Bulen | Chas. I. Freeman | Alfred Swoffer | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 14, | '80 | Barnard Miller | Gunder Kivley | H. K. Young | A. L. Sloss | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 14, | '80 | Peter Boyle | Henry W. Jones | Frank L. Salter | O. H. Larson | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 14, | '80 | Thos. H. Ritchie | Frank A. Thompson | Geo. E. Merrell | Ernest Proctor | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 14, | '80 | H. W. Harding | F. E. Levis | F. W. Lyon | B. W. Lakin | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 14, | '80 | Thomas Morris | E. R. Ryan | A. H. Smithers | H. R. Robertson | 2 and 4 Mon. |
| 12, | '81 | Frank W. Rulien | Fredk. G. Meyer | Edward Berrean | L. B. Sage | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 12, | '81 | Elmer N. Morrill | John E. Keefe | John C. Hosch | Hayden French | 1 and 3 Fri. |
| 12, | '81 | J. H. Feeter | Ole H. Krogstad | Levi Sherwood | Alfred Jury | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 12, | '81 | Hugh C. Maguren | Fred L. Mesemer | Hank Dodd | J. N. Canoyer | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 12, | '81 | C. W. Stites | J. H. Hanson | Chas. J. Taylor | John McKenzie | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 11, | '82 | Sam'l Leweson | M. S. Nelson | A. W. Dix | C. J. Miller | 1 and 3 Fri. |
| 11, | '82 | E. H. Argetsinger | Geo. E. Sellers | W. B. Brown | O. S. Taylor | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 11, | '82 | Geo. R. Butler | Peder B. Jensen | Joseph H. Geroy | A. L. Brown | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 11, | '82 | Douglas Farrell | Wilbur F. Powell | Willis A. Knapp | Thorvald Morck | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 11, | '82 | W. C. Odell | M. Melvin | J. F. Root | K. K. Klammer | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 10, | '83 | William M. James | H. L. Shirley | Wm. V. Pasco | T. E. Knudson | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 10, | '83 | L. C. Bigelow | G. S. Lines | S. Y. Gordon | A. W. Mittan | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 10, | '83 | Peter Sharpe | A. C. Gerber | Chas. Weden | G. Kittilson | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 10, | '83 | Morris Workman | James R. Crystal | Sam'l S. Truax | Chas. J. Berdan | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 10, | '83 | John Liddell | Art. W. McClelland | Wm. Dower | U. G. Boyer | 1 and 3 Fri. |
| 16, | '84 | L. E. Davison | H. M. Young | H. Noinitzer | L. J. Martin | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 16, | '84 | W. E. Kemp | A. M. Ericson | S. W. Anderson | W. B. Strom | 2 and 4 Mon. |
| 14, | '85 | B. F. Van Valkenburg | J. U. Hemmy | Geo. E. Favre | R. H. Harkens | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 14, | '85 | Chas. H. Bishop | Geo. V. B. Hill | Frank H. McCuskey | George W. Hall | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 14, | '85 | W. R. Holly | Wm. Kerr | A. E. Clark | D. N. Shear | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 14, | '85 | A. W. Wells | J. B. Record | W. F. Schober | J. D. Houston | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 14, | '85 | J. T. Christison | John W Mahan | H. P. Fahnestock | Robert B. Ware | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 13, | '86 | Richard Wallace | Curtis M. Johnson | Chas. E. Elmquist | Jas. D. Markham | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 13, | '86 | Carl J. Stockdale | T. O. Dahl | Thos. W. Allen | H. S. Goff | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 13, | '86 | C. W. Snyder | J. E. Extrand | Joshua Thompson | E. W. Weitzel | 2 and 4 Ths. |
| 13, | '86 | J. W. Hoffsinger | W. E. Wheeler | John Cassedy | John E. Hall | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 13, | '86 | Wm. H. Bell | James Schoonmaker | Chas. L. Tracy | Geo. W. Heaton | 1 and 3 Ths. |
| 12, | '87 | O. J. Aamodt | M. D. Hawver | Alex Baptie | Geo. L. Mellott | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 12, | '87 | Ambrose A. Snyder | John R. Price | George Browning | Wm. D. Spear | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 12, | '88 | M. N. Goss | E. Weisenberger | E. A. Thiem | Theo. H. Koerner | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 12, | '88 | C. P. Smith | C. A. Durkee | E. C. Sommemeyer | C. J. Orton | 2 and 4 Ths. |
| 12, | '88 | Walter Dixon | Geo. E. Sherwood | C. L. Spaulding | Nelson Sutton | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 12, | '88 | W. A. Simonton | James Wyvell | J. R. Holten | W. F. Daugherty | 1 and 3 Ths. |
| 12, | '88 | C. C. May | A. G. Lindgren | Peter Wiese | R. H. Adams | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 12, | '88 | Green L. Fort | Harry Moore | Chas. C. Kramer | Eugene C. Noyes | 1 and 4 Mon. |
| 12, | '88 | F. J. Whitlock | E. E. Chard | F. H. Mensing | L. E. Bryant | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 12, | '88 | J. N. Carnes | Thos. McDougal | R. K. Carnes | H. H. Clifford | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 17, | '89 | A. C. Jacob | S. C. Moore | C. N. Burton | A. M. Schancke | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 17, | '89 | Knute Swore | Frank B. Cannada | Sam'l M. Donaldson | E. R. Ruggles | 2 and 4 Sat. |

APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1904.—*Continued.*

| No. | Name of Lodge. | Location. | Date of Charter. | Worshipful Master. | Senior Warden. | Junior Warden. | Secretary. | Time of Meeting. |
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| 181 | Dalles | Cloquet | Jan. 17, '89 | O. S. **Parker** | Sylvester Wilson | John E. Atkins | H. G. Stevens | 1 and 3 Ths. |
| 182 | Fairhaven | Annandale | " 16, '90 | J. G. **Hayter** | S. J. **Wooster** | M. P. Satterlee | W. D. McDonald | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 184 | Shell | Park Rapids | " 16, '90 | Allen **M.** Pilson | Wm. **M. Taber** | Lincoln H. Gates | L. H. Rice | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 185 | Midway | St. Paul | " 16, '90 | Chas. **T.** Pohling | C. **Ackermann** | Chas. E. Collett | E. L. Allard | 2 and 4 Fri. |
| 186 | Ionic | Duluth | " 16, '90 | Hugh **R.** Burgo | Wm. **D.** Underhill | Arnold I. Wakeman | Burr Porter | 2 and 4 Mon. |
| 187 | Arcana | Minneapolis | " 16, '90 | Elmer **W.** Gray | John **Suggitt** | Henry A. Sauer | John D. Tolman | 2 and 4 Mon. |
| 188 | Fortitude | Two Harbors | " 16, '90 | D. C. **Henton** | Archie **Giddings** | Matthew Coughlin | W. B. Woodward | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 189 | Traverse | Wheaton | " 15, '91 | Joseph **B.** Bruns | E. H. **Boley** | R. L. Kemple | G. K. Kristensen | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 190 | Triune | St. Paul | " 15, '91 | F. **W. Matson** | S. R. **Loux** | G. H. Sharp | A. Nelson | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 191 | Mizpah | South St. Paul | " 15, '91 | E. L. **Sloan** | Geo. **L. Lytle** | Allen Fitch | B. F. Meinecke | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 192 | Crow River | Belgrade | " 15, '91 | C. M. **Iverslie** | Alex **Ridgeway** | John F. Chisholm | S. H. Stauffer | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 193 | Amboy | Amboy | " 15, '91 | N. W. **Sargent** | W. E. **Schmidt** | G. W. Smith | I. J. Moyer | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 194 | Canton | Canton | " 15, '91 | Wm. **Johnson** | Chas. **R.** Vail | Geo. W. Wilford | Murray Frego | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 195 | Renville | Renville | " 15, '91 | J. **Butters** | H. B. **Brooks** | P. J. Battge | S. M. McIntosh | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 196 | Geneva | Madison | " 15, '91 | Chas. **E.** Taylor | E. R. **Close** | H. B. Hurd | S. E. Farnham | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 197 | Vermillion | Tower | " 15, '91 | G. H. **Vivian** | W. H. **Congdon** | Geo. Hunter | Nels Nelson | 1 Tues. |
| 198 | Euclid | West Duluth | " 15, '91 | Chas. **C.** Salter | George **E.** Budd | Wm. J. Darby | A. Dunleavy | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 199 | Murray | Slayton | " 15, '91 | W. A. **Forsaith** | A. D. **Smith** | W. E. Richardson | S. B. Swiningsen | 2 and 4 Sat. |
| 200 | Zenith | Springfield | " 14, '92 | W. **M.** Blackmun | John **R.** Schmid | John Schmelz | A. Frederickson | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 201 | Kenyon | Kenyon | " 14, '92 | M. **H.** Silvernale | E. H. **Marshall** | Thomas Mohn | N. C. Adams | 1 and 3 Sat. |
| 202 | Atelier | Dawson | " 14, '92 | Arthur **W.** Ewing | Arne **A.** Stemsrud | S. B. Brown | W. Brown | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 203 | Stewartville | Stewartville | " 14, '92 | C. E. **Fawcett** | C. M. **Cattle** | V. E. Smith | T. B. Horton | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 204 | St. Elmo | Jasper | " 14, '92 | S. S. **King** | A. G. **McKnight** | H. H. Oran | G. W. Vickerman | 2 and 4 Ths. |
| 205 | Wayzata | Wayzata | " 12, '93 | A. J. **Hadley** | A. R. **Frick** | J. F. Kreatz | C. E. Lamb | 1 and 3 Fri. |
| 206 | Fosston | Fosston | " 12, '93 | Joel **Fogelberg** | M. **McKinnon** | E. T. Bigelow | A. W. Foss | 2 and 4 Mon. |
| 207 | Crescent | Staples | " 12, '93 | David **E.** Tull | Arthur **B.** Church | W. H. Pattison | R. J. Tinkelpaugh | 1 and 3 Ths. |
| 208 | Itasca | Grand Rapids | " 12, '93 | D. M. **Gunn** | O. M. **Mitchell** | A. Seaman | C. E. Aikin | 1 and 3 Fri. |
| 209 | Sibley | Winthrop | " 11, '94 | Chas. **A.** Benson | Theodore Burgett | G. Elmer Strout | G. E. Butler | 1 and 3 Fri. |
| 210 | Columbian | Heron Lake | " 11, '94 | J. L. **Gessell** | J. H. **Dudley** | F. J. Humaston | K. C. Buckeye | 2 and 4 Wed. |
| 211 | Friendship | Graceville | " 11, '94 | John **A.** Bailey | James **E.** Dean | E. P. Vallancen | F. M. Bergen | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 212 | Hallock | Hallock | " 11, '94 | James **B.** Muir | Alfred **P.** T. Suffel | Robt. B. Johnson | G. Goodman | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 213 | Mystic | Aitkin | " 17, '95 | Irvine **Innes** | Freeman **E.** Krech | Edward J. Luther | Chas. H. Warner | 1 and 3 Fri. |
| 214 | Evansville | Evansville | " 17, '95 | O. A. **Felt** | G. B. **Mathesen** | P. L. Mathesen | Oscar Lindstrom | 2 and 4 Tues. |
| 215 | Argyle | Argyle | " 17, '95 | H. L. **Melgaard** | David **Dundas** | B. S. Buckingham | O. L. Melgaard | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 216 | Florence | Wood Lake | " 16, '96 | W. O. **Dillingham** | B. C. **Schram** | W. N. Cayott | A. B. Smith | 1 and 3 Wed. |
| 217 | Capital City | St. Paul | " 16, '96 | M. S. **Van Dresar** | A. P. **Drake** | James Manderson | Chas. Mitchell | 1 and 3 Tues. |
| 218 | Griswold | Dassel | " 16, '96 | J. J. **Leverenz** | Axel **Nelson** | Wm. Delong | C. W. Henke | 1 and 3 Mon. |
| 219 | Mt. Hermon | Hancock | " 14, '97 | T. T. **Tollifson** | S. B. **Pape** | E. J. Erickson | E. J. Bahe | 1 and 3 Mon. |

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| 220 | Olivia | Olivia | Jan. | 14, '97 | Geo. W. Diepenbrock | George F. Gage | N. L. Headline | W. P. Christensen | 2 and 4 | Sat. |
| 221 | Equity | Cottonwood | " | 14, '97 | L. McKechnie | John Michie | E. P. King | R. H. Laure | 1 and 3 | Wed. |
| 222 | Elysian | Elysian | " | 13, '98 | Jonas W. Root | L. C. Keene | W. H. Thompson | W. K. Wilcox | 1 and 3 | Wed. |
| 223 | Mora | Mora | " | 13, '98 | Chas. C. Rogers | S. D. McIllhargey | Roger W. Sofford | John C. King | 2 and 4 | Sat. |
| 224 | Minnesota | Minneapolis | " | 12, '99 | Chas. D. Gould | C. W. G. Hyde | Chauncey E. Foster | Victor H. Stough | 1 and 3 | Tues. |
| 225 | Justice | Lamberton | " | 12, '99 | Richard Morton | Geo. W. Rayer | C. H. Works | A. J. Gebhard | 2 and 4 | Mon. |
| 226 | Lincoln | Milaca | " | 12, '99 | James H. Ward | Roscoe L. Cramb | E. I. Davis | Chas. F. Searle | 1 and 3 | Ths. |
| 227 | Park Region | Elbow Lake | " | 18, '00 | E. H. Cornell | Geo. L. Woodworth | K. Kristofferson | P. H. Clague | 2 and 4 | Mon. |
| 228 | Vernon Center | Vernon Center. | " | 18, '00 | Thos. T. Warham | G. C. Cornish | H. A. King | G. Casman | 1 and 3 | Sat. |
| 229 | Stewart | Stewart | " | 18, '00 | J. P. Hoyt | John Molander | W. H. Houck | C. R. C. Baker | 2 and 4 | Ths. |
| 230 | Alpha | Hendrum | " | 18, '00 | Wm. Anderson | W. I. Bangs | Henry Marsden | A. M. Eckmann | 1 and 3 | Tues. |
| 231 | Magnolia | Sherburn | " | 18, '00 | C. E. Greene | Frank Collins | J. A. Grindeland | C. F Mickelson | 1 and 3 | Mon. |
| 232 | Chisago | North Branch | " | 18, '00 | Thomas Zeim | J. Boswell | L. A. Fanley | E. M. Dahlby | 1 and 3 | Wed. |
| 233 | Bemidji | Bemidji | " | 24, '01 | George E. Carson | Wm. McQuaig | John Graham | W. Chase Klein | 1 and 3 | Wed. |
| 234 | Sandstone | Sandstone | " | 24, '01 | Albert S. Webb | Howard Folsom | Richard I. Colvin | Wm. Aiken | 1 and 3 | Fri. |
| 235 | Edgerton | Edgerton | " | 24, '01 | Arnold Pilling | Frank E. Douty | Robert E. Thomas | Frank T. Burdett | 1 and 3 | Fri. |
| 236 | Northern | Thief Riv. Falls | " | 24, '01 | C. A. Fuller | Daniel Shaw | W. B. Fuller | P. W. Mabey | 2 and 4 | Mon. |
| 237 | Albert Pike | Hopkins | " | 24, '01 | Hans M. Peterson | Albert H. Nash | Wm. Feudner | J. R. Chase | 1 and 3 | Wed. |
| 238 | Equality | Minneota | " | 23, '02 | C. M. Gislason | W. B. Gislason | G. B. Bjornson | A. C. Jones | 1 and 3 | Wed. |
| 239 | Eveleth | Eveleth | " | 23, '02 | C. W. More | Robert Powell | A. O. Sisson | R. M. Cornwell | 2 and 4 | Wed. |
| 240 | Astra | Lester Prairie | " | 23, '02 | Felton Vollmer | Ovelta L. Day | John Heneman | M. E. Chambers | 2 and 4 | Sat. |
| 241 | Frazee | Frazee | " | 23, '02 | Timothy W. Chilton | Fred C. Clayton | Dennis L. Durkin | Geo. W. Clayton | 2 and 4 | Wed. |
| 242 | Ruthton | Ruthton | " | 23, '02 | George C. Moore | Charles S. Jensen | M. J. Calderwood | H. E. Martinson | 2 and 4 | Wed. |
| 243 | Cass | Cass Lake | " | 23, '02 | George Stein | T. F. Rodwell | F. W. Smith | H. J. Judkens | 1 and 3 | Tues. |
| 244 | Coteau | Russell | " | 23, '02 | F. S. Purdy | E. Smith | W. D. Hackett | E. L. Hall | 1 and 3 | Wed. |
| 245 | Wabasso | Wabasso | Feb. | 25, '03 | W. A. Houck | O. T. Newhouse | D. E. Billington | Emil Howe | 2 and 4 | Tues. |
| 246 | Fides | Sanborn | " | 25, '03 | Enos P. Dotson | Wm. A. Gleason | John H. Posz | Henry J. Fink | 1 and 3 | Fri. |
| 247 | Morality | Hendricks | " | 25, '03 | Lewis M. Lerwick | John Douey | Hiram B. Danneson | A. J. Forssell | 1 and 3 | Tues. |
| 248 | Raymond | Raymond | " | 25, '03 | Sept. Edmonson | Chas. E. Fouts | Spencer Ericson | Geo. Hedtke | 2 and 4 | Sat. |
| 249 | Barto | Echo | " | 25, '03 | John T. Gill | P. H. Melcher | Geo. Hannah | C. L. Hardy | 2 and 4 | Tues. |
| 250 | Lakefield | Lakefield | " | 25, '03 | Fred L. Leonard | Ernest A. Gage | Edgar O. Arnold | Wm. D. Hill | 1 and 3 | Ths. |
| 251 | McKinley | Tyler | " | 25, '03 | C. H. Kelson | Sidney W. Smith | J. P. Jensen | T. T. Gronlund | 2 and 4 | Wed. |
| 252 | Morton | Morton | " | 25, '03 | Wm. H. Andrews | J. B. S. Wagner | Fred Watschke | W. W. McGowan | 1 and 3 | Ths. |
| 253 | Dexter | Dexter | " | 25, '03 | Harry E. Owen | Wm. H. Pierce | Bert E. Warn | Robert Eckford | 1 and 3 | Ths. |
| 254 | Lake Park | Lake Park | " | 25, '03 | A. S. King | Owen Wangensteen | John M. Almfeldt | Wm. Norby | 2 and 4 | Wed. |
| 255 | Mesaba | Hibbing | " | 25, '03 | Eugene F. Bradt | Marshall M. Ghent | A. P. Silliman | D. F. Wadsworth | 2 and 4 | Ths. |
| 256 | Hawley | Hawley | " | 21, '04 | J. Ransom Hall | Frank M. Higgins | Albert H. Bey | H. Glaisyer | 1 and 3 | Wed. |
| 257 | Fellowship | North St. Paul | " | 21, '04 | Clement Donley | John W. Herrick | C. B. Boody | E. E. Stone | 2 and 4 | Mon. |
| 258 | Montgomery | St. Paul | " | 21, '04 | Chas. W. Hill | A. M. Bergstrom | J. B. Pearson | Henry H. Blinn | 1 and 3 | Ths. |

*Saturday preceding full moon. †Saturday on or before full moon. ‡Wednesday in week moon fulls. ||Monday of week moon fulls.
§Saturday on or before full moon and two weeks thereafter.

St. John's, No. 1, was first chartered by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, June 9, 1852, Cataract, No. 2, by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, Oct. 5, 1852, and St. Paul, No. 3, by the Grand Lodge of Ohio, Jan. 24, 1853. These united in forming the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, Feb. 24, 1853.

## LODGES LOST OR CHANGED, WITH CAUSE.

| No. | Lodge. | Town. | County. | Date of Charter. | Cause of Being Stricken from Roll. |
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| 3 | St. Paul..... | St. Paul..... | Ramsey .... | Feb. 24, 1853 | Charter surrendered, accepted by Grand Lodge Jan. 9, 1856, and restored to second St. Paul, No. 3, Jan. 18, 1900. |
| 3 | St. Paul..... | St. Paul..... | Ramsey .... | Jan. 10, 1856 | Charter surrendered Jan. 18, 1900, and charter of Feb. 24, 1853, accepted in its place. |
| 6 | Shakopee ..... | Shakopee ..... | Scott ..... | Jan. 2, 1855 | Charter arrested in October, 1859, and surrendered in 1860. |
| 9 | Faribault ..... | Faribault ..... | Rice ..... | Jan. 6, 1857 | Charter arrested early in 1863; restored in October, 1864; surrendered June 1, 1865. |
| 10 | Pacific ..... | St. Paul..... | Ramsey .... | Jan. 6, 1857 | Charter surrendered Dec. 27, 1861. |
| 13 | Henderson ..... | Henderson ..... | Sibley ..... | Jan. 6, 1857 | Charter arrested early in 1859, and surrendered in 1860. |
| 15 | St. Cloud..... | St. Cloud..... | Stearns ..... | Jan. 6, 1857 | Charter arrested in 1859, and surrendered in 1860. |
| 25 | Meridian ..... | Chatfield ..... | Fillmore .... | Oct. 27, 1858 | Charter surrendered in 1860. |
| 53 | Faribault ..... | Faribault ..... | Rice ..... | Oct. 25, 1865 | Changed to No. 9, Jan. 15, 1869, by vote of Grand Lodge. |
| 68 | Northern Light... | Fort Garry..... | Manitoba ... | Oct. 23, 1867 | U.·. D.·. at Pembina and Fort Garry from September, 1863; charter never delivered. |
| 70 | Forest City..... | Forest City..... | Meeker ..... | Jan. 15, 1869 | Charter surrendered in 1873. |
| 74 | Minneiska ..... | Minneiska ..... | Wabasha ... | Jan. 15, 1869 | Charter destroyed by fire in 1881, and not reissued. |
| 88 | Yellowstone ..... | Fort Buford.... | Dakota Ter. | Jan. 10, 1872 | Charter surrendered June 6, 1874; members mostly soldiers. |
| 105 | Shiloh ..... | Fargo ..... | Dakota Ter. | Jan. 14, 1874 | Permission given to transfer to Grand Lodge of North Dakota in January, 1880. |
| 107 | Adoniram ..... | Dover ..... | Olmstead .. | Jan. 14, 1874 | Charter surrendered in November, 1880. |
| 120 | Bismarck ..... | Bismarck ..... | Dakota Ter. | Jan. 11, 1876 | Transferred allegiance to Grand Lodge of North Dakota in December, 1880. |
| 127 | Centennial ..... | Delano ..... | Wright ..... | Jan. 10, 1877 | Charter arrested in September, 1886, and never restored. |
| 130 | Arcturus ..... | Red Wing..... | Goodhue ... | Jan. 16, 1878 | Consolidated with No. 8, April 21, 1897. |
| 183 | Pelican Rapids... | Pelican Rapids. | Otter Tail... | Jan. 16, 1890 | Charter forfeited Jan. 16, 1896, and surrendered Sept. 6, 1896. |

## APPENDIX C.—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1903.

| Number | Name of Lodge | Location | Members Jan. 1, 1903 | Initiated | Passed | Raised | Joined | Restored | Total Gain | Withdrawn | Stricken from Roll | Suspended | Expelled | Died | Total Loss | Members Jan. 1, 1904 | Fees and Dues | | Lodge Dues Unpaid | Other Lodge Assets | Lodge Liabilities |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | For 1903 | Paid Grand Secretary | | | |
| 1 | St. Johns | Stillwater | 160 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 1 | .... | 11 | 5 | .... | .... | .... | 4 | 9 | 162 | $85.40 | $85.40 | $587 | $2,847 | $50 |
| 2 | Cataract | Minneapolis | 414 | 34 | 32 | 30 | 14 | 3 | 47 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | 4 | 457 | 260.00 | 260.00 | 150 | *16,050 | ..... |
| 3 | St. Paul | St. Paul | 336 | 19 | 20 | 18 | 4 | 2 | 24 | 10 | .... | .... | .... | 6 | 16 | 344 | 185.00 | 185.00 | 804 | 6,558 | ..... |
| 4 | Hennepin | Minneapolis | 392 | 9 | 12 | 13 | .... | 2 | 15 | 3 | 5 | .... | .... | 7 | 15 | 392 | 184.80 | 184.80 | 756 | *8,451 | 626 |
| 5 | Anc't Landmark | St. Paul | 467 | 27 | 26 | 22 | 10 | 3 | 35 | 14 | .... | .... | .... | 6 | 20 | 482 | 259.80 | 259.80 | 1,128 | 16,798 | ..... |
| 7 | Dakota | Hastings | 101 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | 109 | 57.60 | 57.60 | 100 | 2,304 | ..... |
| 8 | Red Wing | Red Wing | 140 | 9 | 12 | 12 | .... | .... | 12 | 7 | .... | 1 | .... | 7 | 15 | 137 | 83.00 | 83.00 | 35 | *12,987 | 7,100 |
| 9 | Faribault | Faribault | 153 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 11 | 4 | 1 | .... | .... | 3 | 8 | 156 | 77.00 | 77.00 | 132 | *5,028 | 328 |
| 11 | Mantorville | Mantorville | 61 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 62 | 24.60 | 24.60 | 42 | 362 | ..... |
| 12 | Mankato | Mankato | 149 | 11 | 14 | 15 | 7 | .... | 22 | 6 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | 8 | 163 | 96.40 | 96.40 | 162 | 5,025 | ..... |
| 14 | Wapahasa | Wabasha | 65 | 1 | 2 | 3 | .... | 2 | 5 | 4 | 2 | .... | .... | 1 | 7 | 63 | 29.20 | 29.20 | 172 | *2,338 | ..... |
| 16 | Monticello | Monticello | 81 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 1 | 3 | 5 | .... | .... | 2 | 10 | 72 | 29.40 | 29.40 | 145 | *4,783 | ..... |
| 17 | Hokah | Hokah | 41 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | 39 | 15.60 | 15.60 | 130 | 235 | ..... |
| 18 | Winona | Winona | 311 | 10 | 6 | 5 | 7 | .... | 12 | 5 | .... | .... | .... | 4 | 9 | 314 | 141.80 | 141.80 | 340 | 9,000 | ..... |
| 19 | Minneapolis | Minneapolis | 913 | 49 | 47 | 50 | 23 | 4 | 77 | 16 | .... | .... | .... | 10 | 26 | 964 | 500.80 | 500.80 | 1,534 | 35,142 | ..... |
| 20 | Caledonia | Caledonia | 58 | 7 | 7 | 9 | .... | .... | 9 | 3 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 4 | 63 | 44.60 | 44.60 | 65 | 1,050 | 200 |
| 21 | Rochester | Rochester | 136 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 10 | 2 | 1 | .... | .... | 4 | 7 | 139 | 70.60 | 70.60 | 99 | *3,273 | ..... |
| 22 | Pleasant Grove | Pleasant Grove | 65 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | 3 | 5 | .... | .... | .... | 8 | 58 | 25.80 | 25.80 | 65 | 944 | ..... |
| 23 | North Star | St. Cloud | 143 | 11 | 9 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | 3 | 5 | 152 | 86.20 | 84.20 | 500 | 1,800 | ..... |
| 24 | Wilton | Alma City | 34 | 5 | 6 | 6 | .... | .... | 6 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 39 | 30.20 | 30.20 | 30 | 278 | ..... |
| 26 | Western Star | Albert Lea | 198 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 10 | 3 | 26 | 7 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 8 | 216 | 114.00 | 114.00 | 560 | 1,475 | ..... |
| 27 | Blue Earth Val'y | Winnebago City | 72 | 3 | 3 | .... | 4 | 1 | 5 | 4 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 4 | 73 | 33.20 | 33.20 | 252 | 565 | ..... |
| 28 | Clear Water | Clear Water | 54 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .... | 2 | 4 | .... | .... | .... | 4 | 8 | 48 | 23.40 | 23.40 | 69 | *5,715 | ..... |
| 29 | Morning Star | La Crescent | 48 | 3 | 2 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 2 | 48 | 25.40 | 25.40 | 50 | *1,500 | 100 |
| 30 | Anoka | Anoka | 136 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | 3 | 5 | 139 | 65.40 | 65.40 | 129 | 1,783 | ..... |
| 31 | King Hiram | Jordan | 44 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | .... | 3 | 1 | 2 | .... | .... | 1 | 4 | 43 | 24.00 | 24.00 | 111 | 900 | ..... |
| 32 | Sakatah | Waterville | 65 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 1 | .... | 4 | 2 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | 3 | 66 | 34.00 | 34.00 | 85 | 603 | ..... |
| 33 | Star in the East | Owatonna | 100 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 14 | 2 | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | 4 | 110 | 62.40 | 62.40 | 389 | 1,235 | 325 |
| 34 | Oriental | Cannon Falls | 68 | 4 | 2 | .... | 1 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | 68 | 32.80 | 32.80 | 120 | *2,173 | 650 |
| 35 | Mount Moriah | Hastings | 79 | 3 | 1 | 2 | .... | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 5 | 78 | 35.60 | 35.60 | 50 | 1,940 | ..... |
| 36 | Preston | Preston | 96 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | .... | 5 | 5 | 9 | .... | .... | .... | 14 | 87 | 42.80 | 42.80 | 115 | *4,000 | ..... |
| 37 | Mystic Tie | Pine Island | 40 | 3 | 3 | 3 | .... | 2 | 5 | 3 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 4 | 41 | 23.40 | 23.40 | 86 | 210 | ..... |
| 38 | Washington | West Concord | 65 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | .... | 4 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 69 | 30.00 | 30.00 | 125 | *1,629 | 462 |

APPENDIX C—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1903.—*Continued.*

| Number | Name of Lodge | Location | Members Jan. 1, 1903 | Initiated | Passed | Raised | Joined | Restored | Total Gain | Withdrawn | Stricken from Roll | Suspended | Expelled | Died | Total Loss | Members Jan. 1, 1904 | Fees and Dues: For 1903 | Fees and Dues: Paid Grand Secretary | Lodge Dues Unpaid | Other Lodge Assets | Lodge Liabilities |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 39 | Fidelity | Austin | 200 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 14 | 5 | 4 | ... | ... | 5 | 14 | 200 | 92.40 | 92.40 | 200 | *3,425 | ..... |
| 40 | Carnelian | Lake City | 95 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | .... | 7 | 1 | ..... | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | 99 | 48.80 | 48.80 | 93 | 1,530 | ..... |
| 41 | Hermon | Zumbrota | 64 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 4 | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | 4 | 65 | 30.00 | 30.00 | 79 | 675 | ..... |
| 42 | Hope | Glencoe | 77 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 1 | .... | 7 | 4 | ..... | ... | ... | 2 | 6 | 78 | 49.40 | 49.40 | 384 | 2,065 | ..... |
| 43 | Harmony | Lewiston | 35 | 2 | 1 | 4 | ..... | 1 | 5 | 4 | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | 4 | 36 | 19.40 | 19.40 | 26 | 650 | 25 |
| 44 | King Solomon | Shakopee | 66 | 4 | 4 | 4 | ..... | 1 | 5 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | 65 | 36.00 | 36.00 | 100 | 500 | 75 |
| 45 | Union | Le Sueur | 61 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | .... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 62 | 26.00 | 26.00 | 100 | *2,050 | 860 |
| 46 | Evergreen | Clyde | 40 | 3 | 3 | 3 | ..... | .... | 3 | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | ..... | 43 | 25.00 | 25.00 | 52 | *1,035 | ..... |
| 47 | Concord | Cleveland | 34 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .... | 2 | 1 | ..... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | 34 | 15.80 | 15.80 | 47 | 475 | ..... |
| 48 | Social | Northfield | 138 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 1 | .... | 11 | 7 | 8 | ... | ... | 1 | 16 | 133 | 74.80 | 74.80 | 204 | 2,291 | ..... |
| 49 | Rising Sun | St. Charles | 124 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 1 | .... | 5 | 1 | ..... | ... | ... | 5 | 6 | 123 | 56.40 | 56.40 | 68 | *2,650 | 466 |
| 50 | Watertown | Watertown | 33 | 3 | 3 | 3 | ..... | .... | 3 | 1 | ..... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | 34 | 21.40 | 21.40 | 280 | *1,515 | ..... |
| 51 | Acacia | Cottage Grove | 32 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | .... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 31 | 13.00 | 13.00 | 60 | 1,300 | 50 |
| 52 | Cannon River | Morristown | 44 | 6 | 5 | 5 | ..... | .... | 5 | 2 | ..... | ... | 1 | ..... | 3 | 46 | 32.40 | 32.40 | 48 | *2,115 | 636 |
| 54 | Nicollet | St. Peter | 96 | 5 | 5 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 3 | 2 | ..... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | 96 | 49.20 | 49.20 | 100 | 500 | ..... |
| 55 | Zion | Taylors Falls | 27 | 3 | 3 | 3 | ..... | 1 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | ..... | 31 | 19.80 | 19.80 | 100 | 400 | 30 |
| 56 | Meridian | Chatfield | 164 | ..... | 1 | 1 | 1 | .... | 2 | ..... | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | 162 | 66.00 | 66.00 | 100 | *4,360 | ..... |
| 57 | Blue Earth City | Blue Earth | 110 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 2 | .... | 10 | 2 | ..... | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | 116 | 69.40 | 69.40 | 142 | 1,814 | ..... |
| 58 | Spring Valley | Spring Valley | 101 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 10 | ... | ... | 1 | 13 | 97 | 50.20 | 50.20 | 194 | 539 | 100 |
| 59 | Temple | Hutchinson | 120 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | .... | 4 | 1 | ..... | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | 121 | 55.80 | 55.80 | 389 | 1,416 | ..... |
| 60 | Star in the West | Sauk Centre | 79 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 4 | ..... | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | 81 | 34.60 | 34.60 | 60 | *1,630 | ..... |
| 61 | Ashler | Eyota | 73 | 1 | 1 | 2 | ..... | 1 | 3 | 4 | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | 4 | 72 | 31.60 | 31.60 | 50 | *1,500 | ..... |
| 62 | Star | Rockford | 53 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 1 | .... | 7 | 2 | ..... | ... | ... | 3 | 5 | 55 | 33.20 | 33.20 | 98 | *2,240 | 86 |
| 63 | Illustrious | Plainview | 64 | 4 | 2 | 3 | ..... | .... | 3 | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | ..... | 67 | 34.60 | 34.60 | 154 | 300 | ..... |
| 64 | Chain Lake | Fairmont | 143 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 7 | .... | 25 | 3 | 2 | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | 162 | 105.80 | 105.80 | 165 | *21,025 | 8,350 |
| 65 | Golden Rule | Lakeland | 19 | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | .... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | ..... | 20 | 9.00 | 9.00 | 142 | 123 | ..... |
| 66 | Madelia | Madelia | 50 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | 2 | 48 | 19.20 | 19.20 | 107 | 635 | ..... |
| 67 | Corinthian | Farmington | 40 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | .... | 5 | 1 | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | 1 | 44 | 22.60 | 22.60 | 81 | 813 | ..... |
| 69 | Mystic Star | Rushford | 54 | 4 | 3 | 6 | ..... | .... | 6 | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 58 | 33.80 | 33.80 | 94 | 136 | ..... |
| 71 | Paynesville | New Paynesville | 63 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 3 | ..... | ... | ... | 2 | 5 | 59 | 23.20 | 23.20 | 74 | 700 | ..... |
| 72 | Lansing | Lansing | 33 | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 32 | 14.80 | 14.80 | 50 | *925 | 300 |
| 73 | Brownsville | Brownsville | 16 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | .... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | ..... | ..... | 16 | 6.40 | 6.40 | 127 | 186 | ..... |
| 75 | Eureka | Le Roy | 85 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | .... | 4 | ..... | ..... | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 87 | 38.20 | 38.20 | 266 | *1,918 | ..... |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 76 | Joppa | Good Thunder... | 35 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 35 | 13.60 | 13.60 | 50 | 600 | |
| 77 | Tuscan | Waseca | 93 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | | 5 | 6 | | | | 2 | 8 | 90 | 45.00 | 45.00 | 150 | 1,200 | |
| 78 | Mystic Circle | Houston | 46 | 4 | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 46 | 25.40 | 25.40 | 62 | *965 | |
| 79 | Palestine | Duluth | 487 | 30 | 32 | 27 | 8 | | 35 | 7 | | | | 6 | 13 | 509 | 278.60 | 278.60 | 1,084 | 11,177 | |
| 80 | Henderson | Henderson | 46 | 4 | 3 | 4 | | | 4 | | | | | | | 50 | 29.40 | 29.40 | 138 | *3,147 | |
| 81 | Constellation | Alexandria | 57 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 2 | | | | | 2 | 63 | 36.00 | 36.00 | 163 | 974 | |
| 82 | Howard | Howard Lake | 65 | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | 2 | 63 | 25.20 | 25.20 | | *2,545 | 900 |
| 83 | Huram Abi | Kasson | 59 | | | | 2 | | 2 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 60 | 23.20 | 23.20 | 50 | 620 | |
| 84 | Orient | Money Creek | 15 | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | 15 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 45 | *950 | |
| 85 | High Forest | High Forest | 49 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | 3 | 4 | 46 | 18.00 | 18.00 | 52 | *1,460 | |
| 86 | Tyrian | Mazeppa | 56 | 3 | 2 | 2 | | | 2 | 1 | | | | 2 | 3 | 55 | 28.20 | 28.20 | 130 | *1,419 | |
| 87 | Doric | Wells | 65 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 1 | | | 1 | 9 | 63 | 36.40 | 36.40 | 77 | 907 | |
| 89 | Golden Fleece | Litchfield | 125 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 13 | 3 | | | | 3 | 6 | 132 | 60.60 | 60.60 | 150 | 1,750 | |
| 90 | Good Faith | Jackson | 66 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 3 | | 20 | 4 | | | | | 4 | 82 | 74.80 | 74.80 | 112 | 1,055 | |
| 91 | Antiquity | Redwood Falls | 95 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 2 | | 8 | 4 | | | | 1 | 5 | 98 | 50.00 | 50.00 | 68 | *4,600 | |
| 92 | Fraternal | Princeton | 58 | 3 | 4 | 4 | | | 4 | 3 | | | | 2 | 5 | 57 | 32.20 | 32.20 | 38 | 700 | |
| 93 | Unity | Sauk Rapids | 46 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | 3 | 6 | 41 | 19.00 | 19.00 | 191 | 450 | |
| 94 | Keystone | Sleepy Eye | 55 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | | 4 | 2 | 4 | | | 1 | 7 | 52 | 26.20 | 26.20 | 90 | *3,871 | |
| 95 | Sherburne | Elk River | 62 | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | 5 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 66 | 39.40 | 39.40 | 71 | 881 | 157 |
| 96 | Libanus | St. James | 60 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | | 6 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 65 | 27.00 | 27.00 | 225 | 240 | |
| 97 | Prudence | Windom | 85 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | | 2 | 2 | | | | | 2 | 85 | 38.20 | 38.20 | 282 | *11,776 | 8,200 |
| 98 | Charity | New Ulm | 86 | 3 | 5 | 4 | | | 4 | 3 | | | | | 3 | 87 | 45.20 | 45.20 | 50 | *5,857 | |
| 99 | Corner Stone | Fergus Falls | 118 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | | 5 | 2 | | | | 1 | 3 | 120 | 55.00 | 55.00 | 250 | 600 | |
| 100 | Aurora | Brainerd | 167 | 9 | 6 | 9 | 4 | | 13 | 2 | | | | 2 | 4 | 176 | 89.20 | 89.20 | 300 | 2,300 | |
| 101 | Fraternity | Worthington | 63 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 7 | | | | | | | 70 | 37.20 | 37.20 | 151 | 1,050 | |
| 102 | Lebanon | Lanesboro | 36 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 3 | 34 | 16.20 | 16.20 | 125 | 250 | |
| 103 | Bethel | Lake Crystal | 68 | 11 | 11 | 10 | | | 10 | 2 | | | | 1 | 3 | 75 | 58.00 | 58.00 | 273 | 1,119 | |
| 104 | Sharon | Willmar | 67 | 3 | 4 | 2 | | | 2 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 68 | 35.40 | 35.40 | 461 | 1,385 | |
| 106 | Mt. Tabor | Detroit | 105 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 15 | 11 | | | | 3 | 14 | 106 | 60.40 | 60.40 | 175 | 1,773 | |
| 108 | Relief | Dodge Center | 70 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 4 | 4 | | | | 8 | 63 | 27.80 | 27.80 | 137 | *2,066 | 1,060 |
| 109 | Sunset | Montevideo | 107 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 3 | | 10 | 4 | | | | 2 | 6 | 111 | 64.40 | 64.40 | 128 | 3,199 | |
| 110 | Pickwick | Pickwick | 47 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 1 | | 6 | 1 | | | | 2 | 3 | 50 | 32.60 | 32.60 | | 362 | |
| 111 | Carver | Carver | 29 | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 2 | 3 | 26 | 10.40 | 10.40 | 65 | *2,512 | 10 |
| 112 | Khurum | Minneapolis | 355 | 19 | 16 | 16 | 8 | 2 | 26 | 7 | 12 | | | 6 | 25 | 356 | 183.00 | 183.00 | 302 | 9,745 | |
| 113 | Excelsior | Excelsior | 72 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 | 74 | 43.00 | 43.00 | 97 | 519 | |
| 114 | Ben Franklin | Luverne | 67 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 1 | | 6 | 7 | | | | 1 | 8 | 65 | 38.60 | 38.60 | 126 | *1,142 | |
| 115 | Elgin | Elgin | 50 | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 3 | 4 | 47 | 20.40 | 20.40 | 138 | 544 | |
| 116 | Lafayette | Brownsdale | 55 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 3 | 3 | | | | 6 | 50 | 22.60 | 22.60 | 75 | *4,110 | 800 |
| 117 | Granite | Granite Falls | 51 | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 2 | | | | | 2 | 50 | 21.60 | 21.60 | 175 | 37 | 20 |
| 118 | Newport | Newport | 50 | 5 | 4 | 4 | | | 4 | 2 | | | | | 2 | 52 | 32.20 | 32.20 | 74 | 779 | |
| 119 | Delta | Marshall | 112 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 13 | 1 | | | | 5 | 6 | 119 | 67.40 | 67.40 | 386 | 379 | |
| 121 | Grand Meadow | Grand Meadow | 39 | 4 | 2 | 2 | | | 2 | 2 | | | | 2 | 4 | 37 | 22.00 | 22.00 | 25 | *1,475 | |
| 122 | Kellogg | Kellogg | 25 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 2 | | | | | 2 | 28 | 16.20 | 16.20 | 36 | 300 | |
| 123 | Prairie | Blooming Prairie | 47 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 47 | 21.40 | 21.40 | 125 | 550 | |
| 124 | Janesville | Janesville | 66 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 1 | | 13 | 3 | | | | | 3 | 76 | 55.20 | 55.20 | 94 | 443 | |

## APPENDIX C—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1903.—*Continued.*

| Number | Name of Lodge | Location | Members Jan. 1, 1903 | Initiated | Passed | Raised | Joined | Restored | Total Gain | Withdrawn | Stricken from Roll | Suspended | Expelled | Died | Total Loss | Members Jan. 1, 1904 | Fees and Dues | | Lodge Dues Unpaid | Other Lodge Assets | Lodge Liabilities |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | For 1903 | Paid Grand Secretary | | | |
| 125 | Winslow Lewis.. | Osseo ..... | 66 | 2 | 2 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 67 | 32.00 | 32.00 | 172 | *3,250 | 427 |
| 126 | Moorhead ..... | Moorhead ..... | 72 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 2 | ..... | 7 | 6 | 7 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 13 | 66 | 37.60 | 37.60 | 265 | 669 | 5 |
| 128 | Josephus ..... | Mapleton ..... | 86 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 6 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | 8 | 84 | 42.20 | 42.20 | 380 | *4,401 | 2,275 |
| 129 | Swift ..... | Benson ..... | 58 | 9 | 8 | 9 | ..... | ..... | 9 | ..... | 6 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6 | 61 | 46.80 | 46.80 | ..... | 405 | 81 |
| 131 | Alma ..... | Lyle ..... | 74 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 73 | 29.20 | 29.20 | 301 | 516 | ..... |
| 132 | Humboldt ..... | Young America. | 32 | 6 | 6 | 5 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 6 | 31 | 27.40 | 27.40 | 30 | 328 | ..... |
| 133 | Golden Sheaf.... | Morris ..... | 88 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 92 | 40.20 | 40.20 | 218 | 508 | ..... |
| 134 | Cokato ..... | Cokato ..... | 41 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 41 | 16.00 | 16.00 | 120 | 881 | 80 |
| 135 | Nelson ..... | Buffalo ..... | 47 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | ..... | 5 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 3 | 49 | 25.60 | 25.60 | 58 | 2,768 | ..... |
| 136 | Walnut ..... | Walnut Grove... | 30 | 1 | 1 | 2 | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 31 | 15.60 | 15.60 | 40 | 272 | ..... |
| 137 | Appleton ..... | Appleton ..... | 93 | 14 | 12 | 12 | ..... | ..... | 12 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 3 | 102 | 74.00 | 74.00 | 200 | 2,500 | ..... |
| 138 | Orion ..... | Atwater ..... | 54 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 54 | 24.60 | 24.60 | 58 | 407 | ..... |
| 139 | Verndale ..... | Verndale ..... | 35 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 38 | 17.60 | 17.60 | 253 | 542 | ..... |
| 140 | Little Falls..... | Little Falls..... | 91 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 3 | 95 | 51.20 | 51.20 | 171 | 651 | ..... |
| 141 | Crookston ..... | Crookston ..... | 170 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 6 | ..... | 15 | 10 | 1 | ..... | ..... | 2 | 13 | 172 | 90.80 | 90.80 | 300 | *9,000 | 4,110 |
| 142 | Currie ..... | Currie ..... | 23 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 2 | ..... | 7 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 2 | 28 | 24.40 | 24.40 | 66 | 213 | ..... |
| 143 | Lakeview ..... | Ortonville ..... | 63 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 4 | ..... | 11 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 6 | 68 | 37.80 | 37.80 | 304 | 750 | 350 |
| 144 | Bird Island..... | Bird Island..... | 32 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 2 | 30 | 12.00 | 12.00 | 52 | 145 | ..... |
| 145 | Melrose ..... | Melrose ..... | 31 | 5 | 3 | 3 | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4 | 31 | 21.80 | 21.80 | 101 | 261 | ..... |
| 146 | Benton ..... | Lake Benton.... | 45 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 45 | 17.60 | 17.60 | 300 | 639 | ..... |
| 147 | Canby ..... | Canby ..... | 59 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 3 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 | 61 | 36.80 | 36.80 | 221 | 884 | ..... |
| 148 | Quarry ..... | Pipestone ..... | 68 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 9 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 10 | 63 | 32.20 | 32.20 | 191 | 672 | 459 |
| 149 | Guardian ..... | Brownton ..... | 30 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | ..... | 4 | 2 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4 | 30 | 19.40 | 19.40 | 60 | 633 | ..... |
| 150 | Warren ..... | Warren ..... | 57 | 3 | 3 | 3 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 5 | 55 | 29.80 | 29.80 | 205 | 1,126 | 175 |
| 151 | Chaska ..... | Chaska ..... | 31 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 30 | 13.00 | 13.00 | 80 | 220 | ..... |
| 152 | Frontier ..... | Breckenridge ... | 56 | 11 | 6 | 5 | 3 | ..... | 8 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 3 | 61 | 43.20 | 43.20 | 270 | 3,776 | 1,250 |
| 153 | Kodahya ..... | Browns Valley.. | 52 | 2 | 4 | 5 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | 54 | 30.60 | 30.60 | 233 | 675 | 26 |
| 154 | Norman ..... | Ada ..... | 41 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | 38 | 15.20 | 15.20 | 65 | 576 | ..... |
| 155 | Tracy ..... | Tracy ..... | 69 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 2 | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 4 | 67 | 32.00 | 32.00 | 191 | 773 | ..... |
| 156 | Wadena ..... | Wadena ..... | 67 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 3 | ..... | 8 | 1 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 73 | 36.00 | 36.00 | 71 | 1,342 | ..... |
| 157 | Perham ..... | Perham ..... | 53 | 5 | 4 | 3 | ..... | 1 | 4 | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 56 | 32.80 | 32.80 | 106 | 616 | ..... |
| 158 | Hector ..... | Hector ..... | 48 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 3 | ..... | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 51 | 19.80 | 19.80 | 102 | 325 | 63 |
| 159 | Long Prairie.... | Long Prairie.... | 59 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ..... | 1 | 2 | 2 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 3 | 58 | 25.40 | 25.40 | 100 | 436 | 155 |

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| 160 | Plymouth | Minneapolis | 209 | 16 | 13 | 11 | 4 | .... | 15 | 6 | 5 | ... | ... | 3 | 14 | 210 | 118.00 | 118.00 | 303 | 3,455 | ..... |
| 161 | Sincerity | Villard | 40 | 2 | 2 | 3 | .... | .... | 3 | .... | .... | ... | ... | .... | .... | 43 | 23.00 | 23.00 | 15 | *1,052 | ..... |
| 162 | Prescott | Herman | 48 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 1 | .... | 8 | 6 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 9 | 47 | 35.60 | 35.60 | 38 | 444 | ..... |
| 163 | Summit | St. Paul | 309 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 11 | 1 | 39 | 4 | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | 9 | 339 | 201.00 | 201.00 | 350 | *16,425 | 8,099 |
| 164 | Jasper | Rush City | 66 | 2 | 3 | 3 | .... | .... | 3 | 1 | .... | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | 66 | 33.20 | 33.20 | 53 | *1,500 | 355 |
| 165 | Minnehaha | Minneapolis | 124 | 9 | 10 | 12 | 9 | .... | 21 | .... | 3 | ... | ... | 2 | 5 | 140 | 78.60 | 78.60 | 228 | *9,092 | 6,850 |
| 166 | Garnet | White Bear | 64 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | .... | 4 | 2 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | 65 | 30.40 | 30.40 | 200 | 696 | ..... |
| 167 | Agate | Campbell | 56 | 5 | 5 | 5 | .... | .... | 5 | 6 | .... | ... | ... | 3 | 9 | 52 | 33.80 | 33.80 | 300 | *1,500 | ..... |
| 168 | Braden | St. Paul | 149 | 31 | 36 | 34 | 6 | .... | 40 | 7 | 7 | ... | ... | 3 | 17 | 172 | 153.80 | 153.80 | 600 | 2,400 | ..... |
| 169 | Pierson | Barnesville | 72 | 2 | 1 | 2 | .... | 1 | 3 | 1 | 6 | ... | ... | .... | 7 | 68 | 31.00 | 31.00 | 118 | 1,600 | 200 |
| 170 | Fulda | Fulda | 40 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | .... | 3 | .... | .... | ... | ... | .... | .... | 43 | 20.00 | 20.00 | 92 | 463 | 20 |
| 171 | Shekinah | St. Paul | 105 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 1 | .... | 8 | 4 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | 108 | 62.00 | 62.00 | 245 | 904 | ..... |
| 172 | Marietta | Marietta | 20 | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | ... | ... | .... | .... | 21 | 10.00 | 10.00 | 15 | 380 | ..... |
| 173 | Plumb Line | Kimball | 46 | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 2 | 3 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | 44 | 17.20 | 17.20 | 103 | 545 | ..... |
| 174 | Valley | Glenwood | 46 | 5 | 5 | 4 | .... | .... | 4 | 2 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 2 | 48 | 31.60 | 31.60 | 81 | 700 | ..... |
| 175 | Roman Eagle | Adrian | 38 | 4 | 4 | 4 | .... | .... | 4 | 1 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 1 | 41 | 26.80 | 26.80 | 144 | 527 | 130 |
| 176 | Ark | Minneapolis | 315 | 16 | 18 | 18 | 7 | .... | 25 | 8 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 9 | 331 | 174.40 | 174.40 | 335 | 5,304 | ..... |
| 177 | Rough Ashlar | Belle Plaine | 23 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | .... | 3 | .... | .... | ... | ... | .... | .... | 26 | 16.20 | 16.20 | 34 | 125 | ..... |
| 178 | Anchor | Royalton | 48 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 5 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | 42 | 16.80 | 16.80 | 133 | 314 | ..... |
| 179 | King David | Elmore | 43 | .... | 1 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 5 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 5 | 40 | 18.20 | 18.20 | 172 | 76 | ..... |
| 180 | Osakis | Osakis | 39 | 10 | 7 | 7 | .... | .... | 7 | 1 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | 44 | 38.80 | 38.80 | 60 | 619 | ..... |
| 181 | Dalles | Cloquet | 95 | 11 | 11 | 13 | .... | .... | 13 | 1 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 1 | 107 | 73.00 | 73.00 | 561 | 3,296 | ..... |
| 182 | Fair Haven | Annandale | 36 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | .... | 3 | 1 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 1 | 38 | 19.00 | 19.00 | 98 | 477 | ..... |
| 184 | Shell | Park Rapids | 61 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 6 | .... | 10 | .... | .... | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | 69 | 39.60 | 39.60 | 191 | 868 | ..... |
| 185 | Midway | St. Paul | 72 | 4 | 5 | 5 | .... | .... | 5 | 1 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 1 | 76 | 42.40 | 42.40 | 240 | 2,100 | ..... |
| 186 | Ionic | Duluth | 203 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 4 | 2 | 19 | 2 | .... | ... | ... | 3 | 5 | 217 | 118.20 | 118.20 | 438 | 2,171 | ..... |
| 187 | Arcana | Minneapolis | 100 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 1 | .... | 6 | 1 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 1 | 105 | 56.60 | 56.60 | 249 | 1,692 | ..... |
| 188 | Fortitude | Two Harbors | 73 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 1 | .... | 5 | 2 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 2 | 76 | 44.40 | 44.40 | 161 | 1,793 | 44 |
| 189 | Traverse | Wheaton | 61 | 1 | 1 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 5 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 6 | 57 | 26.00 | 26.00 | 253 | *6,065 | 3,208 |
| 190 | Triune | St. Paul | 100 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 4 | .... | 15 | 3 | 2 | ... | ... | .... | 5 | 110 | 68.00 | 68.00 | 281 | 1,520 | 158 |
| 191 | Mizpah | South St. Paul | 45 | 4 | 4 | 5 | .... | .... | 5 | 1 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 1 | 49 | 30.60 | 30.60 | 59 | 722 | ..... |
| 192 | Crow River | Belgrade | 23 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | .... | 5 | 3 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | 24 | 17.60 | 17.60 | 79 | 223 | ..... |
| 193 | Amboy | Amboy | 36 | 2 | 2 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 2 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 | 35 | 19.20 | 19.20 | 48 | 130 | ..... |
| 194 | Canton | Canton | 77 | 10 | 11 | 11 | .... | .... | 11 | 6 | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 11 | 77 | 58.40 | 58.40 | 115 | *4,709 | 2,000 |
| 195 | Renville | Renville | 53 | 4 | 4 | 6 | .... | .... | 6 | 6 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 7 | 52 | 32.40 | 32.40 | 46 | 453 | ..... |
| 196 | Geneva | Madison | 44 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | .... | 4 | .... | 2 | ... | ... | .... | 2 | 46 | 28.80 | 28.80 | 150 | 1,000 | 600 |
| 197 | Vermillion | Tower | 86 | 10 | 11 | 11 | .... | 1 | 12 | 8 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 9 | 89 | 62.80 | 62.80 | 118 | 1,969 | ..... |
| 198 | Euclid | West Duluth | 89 | 16 | 14 | 15 | 4 | 2 | 21 | 3 | .... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 | 106 | 79.00 | 79.00 | 284 | 1,518 | ..... |
| 199 | Murray | Slayton | 58 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 2 | .... | 8 | 2 | 2 | ... | ... | .... | 4 | 62 | 39.60 | 39.60 | 78 | 662 | ..... |
| 200 | Zenith | Springfield | 68 | 1 | 1 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 2 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 2 | 68 | 30.40 | 30.40 | 229 | 1,776 | 180 |
| 201 | Kenyon | Kenyon | 28 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 2 | 26 | 12.40 | 12.40 | 44 | 2,772 | 676 |
| 202 | Atelier | Dawson | 31 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | .... | 3 | 29 | 12.60 | 12.60 | 98 | 140 | ..... |
| 203 | Stewartville | Stewartville | 67 | 2 | 3 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 3 | 3 | ... | ... | 1 | 7 | 62 | 31.00 | 31.00 | 80 | 450 | ..... |
| 204 | St. Elmo | Jasper | 24 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | ... | ... | .... | .... | 24 | 9.60 | 9.60 | 133 | 127 | ..... |
| 205 | Wayzata | Wayzata | 34 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 1 | .... | 6 | 1 | .... | ... | ... | .... | 1 | 39 | 26.20 | 26.20 | 153 | 631 | ..... |

APPENDIX C—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1903.—*Continued.*

| Number | Name of Lodge | Location | Members Jan. 1, 1903 | Initiated | Passed | Raised | Joined | Restored | Total Gain | Withdrawn | Stricken from Roll | Suspended | Expelled | Died | Total Loss | Members Jan. 1, 1904 | Fees and Dues: For 1903 | Fees and Dues: Paid Grand Secretary | Lodge Dues Unpaid | Other Lodge Assets | Lodge Liabilities |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 206 | Fosston | Fosston | 28 | 3 | 5 | 4 | .... | .... | 4 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 32 | 23.20 | 23.20 | 155 | 150 | ..... |
| 207 | Crescent | Staples | 83 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 5 | .... | 9 | .... | 3 | .... | .... | 1 | 4 | 88 | 49.60 | 49.60 | 270 | 1,436 | ..... |
| 208 | Itasca | Grand Rapids | 50 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 1 | .... | 7 | 3 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 4 | 53 | 37.40 | 37.40 | 353 | 662 | ..... |
| 209 | Sibley | Winthrop | 21 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 24 | 16.00 | 16.00 | 42 | 316 | ..... |
| 210 | Columbian | Heron Lake | 24 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 3 | .... | 12 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 35 | 35.20 | 35.20 | 43 | 475 | ..... |
| 211 | Friendship | Graceville | 37 | 9 | 4 | 6 | 1 | .... | 7 | .... | 3 | .... | .... | .... | 3 | 41 | 32.60 | 32.60 | 78 | 865 | ..... |
| 212 | Hallock | Hallock | 46 | 3 | 3 | 3 | .... | .... | 3 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 2 | 47 | 26.60 | 26.60 | 202 | 620 | ..... |
| 213 | Mystic | Aitkin | 54 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 3 | .... | .... | 1 | 2 | 6 | 56 | 30.60 | 30.60 | 75 | 931 | ..... |
| 214 | Evansville | Evansville | 16 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 1 | .... | 6 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 22 | 20.40 | 20.40 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 215 | Argyle | Argyle | 44 | 3 | 3 | 3 | .... | .... | 3 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | 45 | 25.80 | 25.80 | 145 | *2,812 | 1,915 |
| 216 | Florence | Wood Lake | 54 | 4 | 3 | 3 | .... | .... | 3 | 9 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | 11 | 46 | 27.20 | 27.20 | 105 | 574 | ..... |
| 217 | Capital City | St. Paul | 62 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 1 | .... | 14 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 3 | 73 | 62.60 | 62.60 | 130 | 1,486 | ..... |
| 218 | Griswold | Dassel | 65 | 5 | 5 | 5 | .... | .... | 5 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 70 | 41.00 | 41.00 | 62 | 707 | 80 |
| 219 | Mt. Hermon | Hancock | 30 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .... | 2 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 31 | 14.60 | 14.60 | 81 | 250 | ..... |
| 220 | Olivia | Olivia | 25 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 2 | .... | 8 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 32 | 27.60 | 27.60 | 16 | 212 | 19 |
| 221 | Equity | Cottonwood | 31 | 2 | 2 | 4 | .... | .... | 4 | 2 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 2 | 33 | 19.60 | 19.60 | 30 | 526 | ..... |
| 222 | Elysian | Elysian | 24 | 2 | 2 | 3 | .... | .... | 3 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | 26 | 16.20 | 16.20 | 53 | 222 | 150 |
| 223 | Mora | Mora | 37 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 2 | .... | 8 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 2 | 43 | 27.00 | 27.00 | ..... | 476 | ..... |
| 224 | Minnesota | Minneapolis | 226 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 12 | .... | 38 | 4 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 8 | 256 | 165.20 | 165.20 | 318 | 2,563 | ..... |
| 225 | Justice | Lamberton | 23 | 3 | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | 4 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 4 | 20 | 12.60 | 12.60 | 2 | 152 | ..... |
| 226 | Lincoln | Milaca | 46 | 3 | 3 | 3 | .... | .... | 3 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 48 | 27.00 | 27.00 | 80 | 327 | ..... |
| 227 | Park Region | Elbow Lake | 41 | 6 | 5 | 6 | .... | .... | 6 | 4 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 4 | 43 | 31.80 | 31.80 | 30 | 266 | ..... |
| 228 | Vernon Center | Vernon Center | 32 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 1 | .... | 4 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 36 | 22.80 | 22.80 | 52 | 546 | 300 |
| 229 | Stewart | Stewart | 27 | 2 | 2 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | 5 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 6 | 23 | 14.40 | 14.40 | 44 | 222 | ..... |
| 230 | Alpha | Hendrum | 14 | .... | 2 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 16 | 9.60 | 9.60 | 40 | 203 | 16 |
| 231 | Magnolia | Sherburn | 37 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 2 | .... | 9 | .... | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 45 | 35.40 | 35.40 | ..... | 165 | ..... |
| 232 | Chisago | North Branch | 39 | 4 | 4 | 4 | .... | .... | 4 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 43 | 27.60 | 27.60 | 16 | 712 | 345 |
| 233 | Bemidji | Bemidji | 49 | 12 | 6 | 6 | 3 | .... | 9 | 4 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 5 | 53 | 41.60 | 41.60 | 113 | 585 | 200 |
| 234 | Sandstone | Sandstone | 30 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 2 | .... | 6 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 36 | 23.00 | 23.00 | 56 | 458 | 100 |
| 235 | Edgerton | Edgerton | 13 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 12 | 7.80 | 7.80 | ..... | 86 | ..... |
| 236 | Northern | Thief River Falls | 39 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 2 | .... | 11 | 1 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 2 | 48 | 39.80 | 39.80 | 74 | 750 | ..... |
| 237 | Albert Pike | Hopkins | 102 | 24 | 27 | 27 | 6 | .... | 33 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 135 | 118.80 | 118.80 | 65 | 13,183 | 2,340 |
| 238 | Equality | Minneota | 19 | 5 | 4 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 21 | 18.60 | 18.60 | 16 | 255 | 185 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 239 | Eveleth | Eveleth | 47 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 6 | | 21 | 3 | | | 1 | | 4 | 64 | 63.20 | 63.20 | 41 | 900 | | |
| 240 | Astra | Lester Prairie | 22 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | | 8 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 29 | 20.40 | 20.40 | 6 | 262 | 54 | |
| 241 | Frazee | Frazee | 41 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | | | 2 | 3 | 40 | 20.20 | 20.20 | | 390 | | |
| 242 | Ruthton | Ruthton | 27 | 14 | 11 | 11 | | | 11 | 2 | | | | 1 | 3 | 35 | 45.60 | 45.60 | 19 | 400 | 150 | |
| 243 | Cass | Cass Lake | 29 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | | 12 | 1 | | | | 1 | 2 | 39 | 28.80 | 28.80 | 65 | 552 | 150 | |
| 244 | Coteau | Russell | 23 | 6 | 5 | 6 | | | 6 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 28 | 25.80 | 25.80 | 18 | 267 | 100 | |
| 245 | Wabasso | Wabasso | 8 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 9 | | 14 | 2 | | | | | 2 | 20 | 19.40 | 19.40 | 10 | 553 | 303 | |
| 246 | Fides | Sanborn | 10 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 12 | | 14 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 23 | 18.00 | 18.00 | | 237 | | |
| 247 | Morality | Hendricks | 6 | 1 | | 1 | 13 | | 14 | | | | | | | 20 | 8.80 | 8.80 | 12 | 110 | 71 | |
| 248 | Raymond | Raymond | 13 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 7 | | 9 | | | | | | | 22 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 16 | 127 | | |
| 249 | Barto | Echo | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 10 | | 15 | | | | | | | 19 | 18.20 | 18.20 | | 502 | 380 | |
| 250 | Lakefield | Lakefield | 12 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 16 | | 18 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 29 | 18.00 | 18.00 | | 641 | 300 | |
| 251 | McKinley | Tyler | 11 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 10 | | 13 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 23 | 18.60 | 18.20 | 15 | 212 | 60 | |
| 252 | Morton | Morton | 11 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 21 | | 26 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 36 | 26.60 | 26.60 | | 430 | | |
| 253 | Dexter | Dexter | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 11 | | 13 | 1 | | | | | 1 | 15 | 12.20 | 12.20 | | 226 | | |
| 254 | Lake Park | Lake Park | 23 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 11 | | 17 | | | | | | | 40 | 30.80 | 30.80 | 27 | 590 | 300 | |
| 255 | Mesaha | Hibbing | | 27 | 25 | 23 | 31 | | 54 | | | | | | | 54 | 85.00 | 85.00 | 45 | 1,509 | | |
| UD | Hawley | Hawley | | 13 | 12 | 12 | | | 12 | | | | | | | 12 | 37.00 | 37.00 | | 515 | 378 | |
| UD | Fellowship | North St. Paul | | 12 | 10 | 10 | | | 10 | | | | | | | 10 | 32.00 | 32.00 | | 189 | | |
| UD | Montgomery | St. Paul | | 14 | 13 | 13 | | | 13 | | | | | | | 13 | 40.00 | 40.00 | | 478 | | |
| | | | 18538 | 1326 | 1278 | 1298 | 534 | 85 | 1917 | 550 | 164 | 3 | 5 | 259 | 981 | 19474 | $11,011.80 | $11,009.40 | | | | |

*Owns building or an interest in same.

# APPENDIX D.

## PAY ROLL, 1904.

| GRAND OFFICERS. | Mileage. | Per Diem. | Total Paid. | To Whom Paid. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Henry R. Adams, G. Master | $0.20 | $6.00 | $6.20 | H. R. Adams. |
| Wm. A. McGonagle, D. G. Master | 5.70 | 6.00 | 11.70 | W. A. McGonagle. |
| Henry M. Tusler, S. G. W. | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | H. M. Tusler. |
| Thomas Morris, J. G. W. | 11.70 | 6.00 | 17.70 | T. Morris. |
| David W. Knowlton, G. Treas. | 0 20 | 6.00 | 6 20 | D W. Knowlton. |
| Thomas Montgomery, G. Sec. | ..... | 6 00 | 6.00 | Thos. Montgomery. |
| John C. Bennett, G. Orator. | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | J C. Bennett. |
| Alfred G. Pinkham, G. Chap. | 2.75 | 6.00 | 8.75 | A. G. Pinkham. |
| Joseph H. Johnson, S. G. Deacon | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | J. H. Johnson. |
| Gustaf Widell, J. G. Deacon | 3.20 | 6.00 | 9.20 | Gustaf Widell. |
| Chas. L. Sawyer, G. Marshal | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | C. L. Sawyer. |
| John D. Carroll, G. St. B | 0.30 | 6.00 | 6.30 | J. D. Carroll. |
| R. A. W. McLeod, G. Sw. B. | 2.35 | 6.00 | 8.35 | R. A. W. McLeod. |
| H. W. Hendrickson, S. G. Stew. | 5.75 | 6.00 | 11.75 | H. W. Hendrickson. |
| Edwin H. Foot, J. G. Stew. | 1.65 | 6.00 | 7.65 | E. H. Foot. |
| Eugene E. Swan, G. Purs. | 3.15 | 6.00 | 9.15 | E. E. Swan. |
| PERMANENT MEMBERS. | | | | |
| Chas. W. Nash, P. G. M. | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | C. W. Nash. |
| Chas. Griswold, P. G. M. | 0 20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | Chas. Griswold. |
| E. W. Durant, P. G. M. | 0.60 | 6.00 | 6.60 | E. W. Durant. |
| Henry R. Wells, P. G. M. | 6.00 | 6.00 | 12.00 | H. R. Wells. |
| Henry R. Denny, P. G. M. | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | H. R. Denny. |
| C. L. Brown, P. G. M. | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | C. L. Brown. |
| A. T. Stebbins, P. G. M. | 3.70 | 6.00 | 9.70 | A. T. Stebbins. |
| A. Brandenburg, P. G. M. | 7.50 | 6.00 | 13.50 | A. Brandenburg. |
| G. S. Ives, P. G. M. | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | G. S. Ives. |
| A. D. Countryman, P. G. M. | 6.20 | 9.00 | 15.20 | A. D. Countryman. |
| Chas. L. West, P. D. G. M. | 3.95 | 6.00 | 9.95 | Chas. L. West. |
| Samuel E. Adams, P. S. G. W. | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | Samuel E. Adams. |
| Edgar Nash, P. S. G. W. | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | Edgar Nash. |
| Albert Marden, P. J. G. W. | 3.55 | 6.00 | 9.55 | Albert Marden. |
| H. C. Shepard, P. J. G. W. | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | H. C. Shepard. |
| Wm. B. Patton, P. J. G. W. | 5.70 | 6.00 | 11.70 | W. B. Patton. |
| J. D. Markham, P. J. G. W. | 2.15 | 6.00 | 8.15 | J. D. Markham. |
| COMMITTEE ON RETURNS. | | | | |
| O. C. Hanson. | 6.80 | 9.00 | 15.80 | O. C. Hanson. |
| J. T. Johnson | 7.50 | 9.00 | 16.50 | J. T. Johnson. |
| COMMITTEE ON MASONIC HOME. | | | | |
| William P. Roberts | 0.20 | 9.00 | 9.20 | W. P. Roberts. |
| E. H. Sherwin | 1.90 | 9 00 | 10.90 | E. H. Sherwin. |
| | ..... | ..... | $330.40 | |

PAY ROLL, 1904—*Continued.*

| No. | Name of Lodge. | Mileage. | Per Diem. | Total Paid. | To Whom Paid. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | St. Johns | $0.60 | $6.00 | $6.60 | Roy G. Staples. |
| 2 | Cataract | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | Geo. P. Sjoblom. |
| 3 | St. Paul | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | F. J. Bannister. |
| 4 | Hennepin | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | J. G. Holton. |
| 5 | Ancient Landmark | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | I. B. B. Sprague. |
| 7 | Dakota | 0.80 | 6.00 | 6.80 | L. W. Smock. |
| 8 | Red Wing | 1.65 | 6.00 | 7.65 | F. D. Putnam. |
| 9 | Faribault | 2.10 | 6.00 | 8.10 | J. F. Linderman. |
| 11 | Mantorville | 2.95 | 6.00 | 8.95 | C. A. Miller. |
| 12 | Mankato | 3.20 | 6.00 | 9.20 | Sam'l B. Wilson. |
| 14 | Wapahasa | 2.80 | 6.00 | 8.80 | Joseph Buisson. |
| 16 | Monticello | 1.90 | 6.00 | 7.90 | O. C. Chamberlain. |
| 17 | Hokah | 5.80 | 6.00 | 11.80 | L. T. Lyon. |
| 18 | Winona | 4.05 | 6.00 | 10.05 | F. S. James. |
| 19 | Minneapolis | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | C. C. Reynolds. |
| 20 | Caledonia | 6.30 | 6.00 | 12.30 | F. A. Duxbury. |
| 21 | Rochester | 3.70 | 6.00 | 9.70 | Geo. B. Doty. |
| 22 | Pleasant Grove | 8.00 | 6.00 | 14.00 | Wm. M. Smith. |
| 23 | North Star | 3.00 | 6.00 | 9.00 | W. H. Thompson. |
| 24 | Wilton | 3.40 | 6.00 | 9.40 | Geo. Hofeld. |
| 26 | Western Star | 4.35 | 6.00 | 10.35 | L. A. Hanes. |
| 27 | Blue Earth Valley | 4.70 | 6.00 | 10.70 | P. L. Allen. |
| 28 | Clear Water | 2.50 | 6.00 | 8.50 | Geo. Ring. |
| 29 | Morning Star | 5.05 | 6.00 | 11.05 | Joseph Robillard. |
| 30 | Anoka | 1.15 | 6.00 | 7.15 | T. J. Abbett. |
| 31 | King Hiram | 1.30 | 6.00 | 7.30 | W. H. Phillips. |
| 32 | Sakatah | 2.60 | 6.00 | 8.60 | Geo. McConkey. |
| 33 | Star in the East | 2.75 | 6.00 | 8.75 | P. J. Kuntz. |
| 34 | Oriental | 1.60 | 6.00 | 7.60 | N. N. Monson. |
| 35 | Mount Moriah | 0.80 | 6.00 | 6.80 | A. M. Hayes. |
| 36 | Preston | 6.00 | 6.00 | 12.00 | E. H. Cummings. |
| 37 | Mystic Tie | 3.00 | 6.00 | 9.00 | J. A. McDougal. |
| 38 | Washington | 2.55 | 6.00 | 8.55 | E. H. Catlin. |
| 39 | Fidelity | 3.70 | 6.00 | 9.70 | J. H. Robertson. |
| 40 | Carnelian | 2.35 | 6.00 | 8.35 | W. J. Fladwed. |
| 41 | Hermon | 2.70 | 6.00 | 8.70 | F. W. Fulkerson. |
| 42 | Hope | 2.50 | 6.00 | 8.50 | W. L. Tifft. |
| 43 | Harmony | 4.90 | 6.00 | 10.90 | L. J. Baldwin. |
| 44 | King Solomon | 1.15 | 6.00 | 7.15 | C. G. Hinds. |
| 45 | Union | 2.30 | 6.00 | 8.30 | D. D. Sykes. |
| 46 | Evergreen | 5.00 | 6.00 | 11.00 | F. G. Sanders. |
| 47 | Concord | 2.75 | 6.00 | 8.75 | Geo. Simpson. |
| 48 | Social | 1.55 | 6.00 | 7.55 | W. F. Manhart. |
| 49 | Rising Sun | 4.40 | 6.00 | 10.40 | E. W. Heubach. |
| 50 | Watertown | 3.05 | 6.00 | 9.05 | O. N. Mapes. |
| 51 | Acacia | 0.30 | 6.00 | 6.30 | L. J. Crippen. |
| 52 | Cannon River | 2.70 | 6.00 | 8.70 | Geo. Molm. |
| 54 | Nicollet | 2.75 | 6.00 | 8.75 | James Bennett. |
| 55 | Zion | 1.80 | 6.00 | 7.80 | H. G. Murdock. |
| 56 | Meridian | 4.75 | 6.00 | 10.75 | G. L. Gould. |
| 57 | Blue Earth City | 5.10 | 6.00 | 11.10 | C. N. Brown. |
| 58 | Spring Valley | 5.10 | 6.00 | 11.10 | Geo. M. Warren. |
| 59 | Temple | 2.80 | 6.00 | 8.80 | J. A. Tmey. |
| 60 | Star in the West | 4.90 | 6.00 | 10.90 | M. A. Scherffins. |
| 61 | Ashler | 4.20 | 6.00 | 10.20 | R. C. Dugan. |
| 62 | Star | 2.10 | 6.00 | 8.10 | O. M. Crawford. |
| 63 | Illustrious | 4.80 | 6.00 | 10.80 | F. L. Gilbert. |
| 64 | Chain Lake | 5.65 | 6.00 | 11.65 | A. A. Horton. |
| 65 | Golden Rule | 1.00 | 6.00 | 7.00 | C. V. Holmstrom. |
| 67 | Corinthian | 1.10 | 6.00 | 7.10 | O. S. Lundberg. |
| 69 | Mystic Star | 5.50 | 6.00 | 11.50 | W. Stage. |
| 71 | Paynesville | 3.75 | 6.00 | 9.75 | F. Wells. |
| 72 | Lansing | 3.80 | 6.00 | 9 80 | O. C. Le Bar. |
| 75 | Eureka | 4.55 | 6.00 | 10.55 | W. M. Walker. |
| 76 | Joppa | 4.00 | 6.00 | 10.00 | Chas. F. Ulrich. |
| 77 | Tuscan | 3.10 | 6.00 | 9.10 | Chas. A. Smith. |
| 78 | Mystic Circle | 5.50 | 6.00 | 11.50 | J. E. Parish. |
| 79 | Palestine | 5.70 | 6.00 | 11.70 | S. R. Holden. |

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| No. | Name of Lodge. | Mileage. | Per Diem. | Total Paid. | To Whom Paid. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 81 | Constellation | $5.65 | $6.00 | $11.65 | E. A. Hensel. |
| 82 | Howard | 1.90 | 6.00 | 7.90 | E. H. Learned. |
| 83 | Huram Abi | 3.15 | 6.00 | 9.15 | J. J. McCaughey. |
| 85 | High Forest | 5.10 | 6.00 | 11.10 | Floyd Englehart. |
| 86 | Tyrian | 2.70 | 6.00 | 8.70 | L. L. Mathews. |
| 87 | Doric | 4.70 | 6.00 | 10.70 | E. D. Udell. |
| 89 | Golden Fleece | 3.10 | 6.00 | 9.10 | J. W. Wright. |
| 90 | Good Faith | 6.30 | 6.00 | 12.30 | W. W. Wold. |
| 91 | Antiquity | 4.30 | 6.00 | 10.30 | J. A. Schmahl. |
| 92 | Fraternal | 2.40 | 6.00 | 8.40 | Chas. A. Dickey. |
| 93 | Unity | 3.05 | 6.00 | 9.05 | G. S. Reeder. |
| 94 | Keystone | 4.15 | 6.00 | 10.15 | T. F. Addy. |
| 95 | Sherburne | 1.65 | 6.00 | 7.65 | F. D. Waterman. |
| 96 | Lebanus | 4.60 | 6.00 | 10.60 | Chas. Engelbracht. |
| 97 | Prudence | 5.70 | 6.00 | 11.70 | Frank Steedman. |
| 98 | Charity | 3.55 | 6.00 | 9.55 | N. Nenningsen. |
| 99 | Corner Stone | 7.50 | 6.00 | 13.50 | E. A. Brown. |
| 100 | Aurora | 4.10 | 6.00 | 10.10 | Geo. O. Whitney. |
| 101 | Fraternity | 6.90 | 6.00 | 12.90 | H. Hawley. |
| 102 | Lebanon | 5.45 | 6.00 | 11.45 | A. C. Ronning. |
| 103 | Bethel | 3.70 | 6.00 | 9.70 | D. H. Edwards. |
| 104 | Sharon | 4.10 | 6.00 | 10.10 | Henry J. Ramsett. |
| 106 | Mt. Tabor | 8.15 | 6.00 | 14.15 | E. F. Harris. |
| 108 | Relief | 2.90 | 6.00 | 8.90 | Gus Crail. |
| 109 | Sunset | 5.75 | 6.00 | 11.75 | Wm. Dunbrack. |
| 111 | Carver | 1.10 | 6.00 | 7.10 | Jacob Bristle. |
| 112 | Khurum | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | C. R. Cooley. |
| 113 | Excelsior | 1.15 | 6.00 | 7.15 | B. W. Wilson. |
| 114 | Ben Franklin | 8 20 | 6.00 | 14.20 | C. O. Wright. |
| 115 | Elgin | 4.30 | 6.00 | 10.30 | D. W. Searles. |
| 116 | Lafayette | 4.10 | 6.00 | 10.10 | A. B. Warren. |
| 117 | Granite | 5.20 | 6.00 | 11.20 | J. G. C. Johnson. |
| 118 | Newport | 0.30 | 6.00 | 6.30 | J. M. Trickey. |
| 119 | Delta | 6.00 | 6.00 | 12.00 | W. A. Hawkins. |
| 121 | Grand Meadow | 5.10 | 6.00 | 11.10 | G. A. Covell. |
| 122 | Kellogg | 3.05 | 6.00 | 9.05 | H. W. Canfield. |
| 123 | Prairie | 3.40 | 6.00 | 9.40 | E. Morton. |
| 124 | Janesville | 3.35 | 6.00 | 9.35 | M. A. Devereaux. |
| 125 | Winslow Lewis | 0.95 | 6.00 | 6.95 | D. W. Norris. |
| 126 | Moorhead | 9.70 | 6.00 | 15.70 | L. W. Hyde. |
| 128 | Josephus | 4.05 | 6.00 | 10.05 | J. H. Dobie. |
| 129 | Swift | 5.30 | 6 00 | 11.30 | E. R. Aldrich. |
| 131 | Alma | 4.40 | 6.00 | 10.40 | O. G. Dahl. |
| 132 | Humboldt | 2.00 | 6.00 | 8.00 | J. W. Truwe. |
| 133 | Golden Sheaf | 6.30 | 6.00 | 12.30 | Royal A. Stone. |
| 135 | Nelson | 2.20 | 6.00 | 8.20 | A. E. Sturgis. |
| 136 | Walnut | 5.75 | 6.00 | 11.75 | D. O. Bulen. |
| 137 | Appleton | 6.20 | 6.00 | 12.20 | B. Miller. |
| 138 | Orion | 3.60 | 6.00 | 9.60 | Peter Bogle. |
| 139 | Verndale | 7.10 | 6.00 | 13.10 | T. H. Ritchie. |
| 140 | Little Falls | 4.30 | 6.00 | 10.30 | E. A. Kling. |
| 141 | Crookston | 11.70 | 6 00 | 17.70 | Joseph Smith. |
| 143 | Lakeview | 7.10 | 6.00 | 13.10 | H. L. Zweiner. |
| 144 | Bird Island | 3.20 | 6.00 | 9.20 | J. H. Feeter. |
| 145 | Melrose | 4.35 | 6.00 | 10.35 | H. C. Maguren. |
| 146 | Benton | 7.40 | 6.00 | 13.40 | C. W. Stites. |
| 147 | Canby | 7.20 | 6.00 | 13.20 | G. W. Allen. |
| 148 | Quarry | 7.70 | 6.00 | 13.70 | E. H. Argetsinger. |
| 150 | Warren | 12.90 | 6.00 | 18.90 | D. Farrell. |
| 151 | Chaska | 1.10 | 6.00 | 7 10 | W. C. Odell. |
| 152 | Frontier | 8.30 | 6.00 | 14.30 | Wm. M. James. |
| 153 | Kodahya | 8.15 | 6.00 | 14.15 | L. C. Bigelow. |
| 154 | Norman | 10.00 | 6.00 | 16.00 | Peter Sharpe. |
| 155 | Tracy | 6.00 | 6.00 | 12.00 | F. S. Brown. |
| 156 | Wadena | 6.65 | 6.00 | 12.65 | John Liddell. |
| 157 | Perham | 7.30 | 6.00 | 13.30 | L. E. Davison. |
| 158 | Hector | 3.50 | 6.00 | 9.50 | W. E. Kemp. |
| 159 | Long Prairie | 5.45 | 6.00 | 11.45 | J. U. Hemmy. |

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| No. | Name of Lodge. | Mileage. | Per Diem. | Total Paid. | To Whom Paid. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 160 | Plymouth | $0.20 | $6.00 | $6.20 | C. H. Bishop. |
| 161 | Sincerity | 5.55 | 6.00 | 11.55 | Wm. Kerr. |
| 162 | Prescott | 6.95 | 6.00 | 12.95 | A. W. Wells. |
| 163 | Summit | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | R. B. Ware. |
| 164 | Jasper | 2.15 | 6.00 | 8.15 | C. M. Johnson. |
| 165 | Minnehaha | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | C. J. Stockdale. |
| 166 | Garnet | 0.50 | 6.00 | 6.50 | J. C. Fulton. |
| 167 | Agate | 7.70 | 6.00 | 13.70 | J. W. Hoffsinger. |
| 168 | Braden | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | Wm. H. Bell. |
| 169 | Pierson | 8.75 | 6.00 | 14.75 | O. J. Aamodt. |
| 170 | Fulda | 7.20 | 6.00 | 13.20 | A. A. Snider. |
| 171 | Shekinah | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | C. S. Schurman. |
| 172 | Marietta | 7.25 | 6.00 | 10.00 | C. P. Smith. |
| 173 | Plumb Line | 2.80 | 6.00 | 8.80 | Walter Dickson. |
| 174 | Valley | 5.20 | 6.00 | 11.20 | W. A. Simonton. |
| 175 | Roman Eagle | 7.60 | 6.00 | 13.60 | C. C. May. |
| 176 | Ark | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | G. L. Fort. |
| 177 | Rough Ashlar | 1.85 | 6.00 | 7.85 | F. J. Whitlock. |
| 178 | Anchor | 3.85 | 6.00 | 9.85 | J. N. Carnes. |
| 180 | Osakis | 5.25 | 6.00 | 11.25 | K. Swore. |
| 181 | Dalles | 5.55 | 6.00 | 11.55 | O. S. Parker. |
| 182 | Fair Haven | 2.50 | 6.00 | 8.50 | H. K. Kelley. |
| 184 | Shell | 7.95 | 6.00 | 13.95 | Smith De Wees. |
| 185 | Midway | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | C. T. Pohling. |
| 186 | Ionic | 5.70 | 6.00 | 11.70 | H. R. Burgo. |
| 187 | Arcana | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | Elmer W. Gray. |
| 188 | Fortitude | 7.00 | 6.00 | 13.00 | L. H. Bryan. |
| 189 | Traverse | 8.20 | 6.00 | 14.20 | J. B. Bruns. |
| 190 | Triune | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | F. W. Mattson. |
| 191 | Mizpah | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | E. L. Sloan. |
| 192 | Crow River | 3.95 | 6.00 | 9.95 | C. M. Iverslie. |
| 193 | Amboy | 4.35 | 6.00 | 10.35 | G. W. Smith. |
| 194 | Canton | 7.40 | 6.00 | 13.40 | G. W. Wilford. |
| 195 | Renville | 4.60 | 6.00 | 10.60 | J. Butters. |
| 196 | Geneva | 7.30 | 6.00 | 13.30 | C. E. Taylor. |
| 197 | Vermillion | 10.10 | 6.00 | 16.10 | G. H. Vivian. |
| 198 | Euclid | 5.70 | 6.00 | 11.70 | C. C. Salter. |
| 199 | Murray | 7.20 | 6.00 | 13.20 | W. A. Forsaith. |
| 200 | Zenith | 4.70 | 6.00 | 10.70 | W. M. Blackmun. |
| 201 | Kenyon | 2.15 | 6.00 | 8.15 | M. H. Silvernale. |
| 203 | Stewartville | 4.05 | 6.00 | 10.05 | C. E. Fawcett. |
| 204 | St. Elmo | 3.10 | 6.00 | 9.60 | A. G. McKnight. |
| 205 | Wayzata | 0.85 | 6.00 | 6.85 | A. J. Hadley. |
| 206 | Fosston | 12.30 | 6.00 | 18.30 | J. Fogelberg. |
| 207 | Crescent | 5.50 | 6.00 | 11.50 | David E. Tull. |
| 208 | Itasca | 8.35 | 6.00 | 14.35 | O. W. Mitchell. |
| 209 | Sibley | 2.80 | 6.00 | 8.80 | J. A. E. Johnson. |
| 210 | Columbian | 6.15 | 6.00 | 12.15 | J. L. Gessel. |
| 211 | Friendship | 7.35 | 6.00 | 13.35 | J. A. Bailey. |
| 212 | Hallock | 14.60 | 6.00 | 20.60 | A. P. T. Suffel. |
| 213 | Mystic | 6.60 | 6.00 | 12.60 | I. Innes. |
| 214 | Evansville | 6.35 | 6.00 | 12.35 | O. A. Felt. |
| 215 | Argyle | 13.35 | 6.00 | 19.35 | D. Dundas. |
| 216 | Florence | 5.20 | 6.00 | 11.20 | W. O. Dillingham. |
| 217 | Capital City | ..... | 6.00 | 6.00 | A. P. Drake. |
| 218 | Griswold | 2.60 | 6.00 | 8.60 | J. J. Leverenz. |
| 219 | Mt. Hermon | 5.95 | 6.00 | 11.95 | F. Wilcox. |
| 220 | Olivia | 4.15 | 6.00 | 10.15 | G. W. Diepenbrock |
| 221 | Equity | 5.60 | 6.00 | 11.60 | J. H. Catlin. |
| 222 | Elysian | 2.85 | 6.00 | 8.85 | L. C. Keene. |
| 223 | Mora | 3.05 | 6.00 | 9.05 | C. C. Rogers. |
| 224 | Minnesota | 0.20 | 6.00 | 6.20 | C. D. Gould. |
| 226 | Lincoln | 2.95 | 3.00 | 5.95 | J. H. Ward. |
| 228 | Vernon Center | 4.15 | 6.00 | 10.15 | T. T. Warham. |
| 229 | Stewart | 3.15 | 6.00 | 9.15 | H. A. Burns. |
| 231 | Magnolia | 5.55 | 6.00 | 11.55 | Frank Collins |
| 232 | Chisago | 1.70 | 6.00 | 7.70 | E. M. Dahlby. |

PAY ROLL, 1904—*Continued.*

| No. | Name of Lodge. | Mileage. | Per Diem. | Total Paid. | To Whom Paid. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 233 | Bemidji | $10.45 | $6.00 | $16.45 | Wm. McCuaig. |
| 234 | Sandstone | 3.40 | 6.00 | 9.40 | Albert S. Webb. |
| 237 | Albert Pike | 0.50 | 6.00 | 6.50 | A. H. Nash. |
| 238 | Equality | 6.45 | 6.00 | 12.45 | C. M. Gislason. |
| 240 | Astra | 2.10 | 6.00 | 8.10 | Felton Vollmer. |
| 241 | Frazee | 7.75 | 6.00 | 13.75 | T. W. Chilton. |
| 242 | Ruthton | 7.00 | 6.00 | 13.00 | Cary Diehl. |
| 243 | Cass | 9.50 | 6.00 | 15.50 | Geo. Stein. |
| 244 | Coteau | 6.50 | 6.00 | 12.50 | F. S. Purdy. |
| 245 | Wabasso | 5.00 | 6.00 | 11.00 | W. A. Houck. |
| 246 | Fides | 5.00 | 6.00 | 11.00 | E. P. Dotson. |
| 247 | Morality | 8.05 | 6.00 | 8.80 | L. M. Lerwick. |
| 248 | Raymond | 4.55 | 6.00 | 10.55 | S. Edmonson. |
| 249 | Barto | 4.95 | 6.00 | 10.95 | Philip Melcher. |
| 251 | McKinley | 7.05 | 6.00 | 13.05 | S. W. Smith. |
| 252 | Morton | 4.00 | 6.00 | 10.00 | J. B. S. Wagner. |
| 253 | Dexter | 4.45 | 6.00 | 10.45 | Harry E. Owen. |
| 255 | Mesaha | 8.75 | 6.00 | 14.75 | D. F. Wadsworth. |
| | Total | ..... | ..... | $2,603.10 | |

# APPENDIX E.

## NAMES OF LODGES ALPHAPETICALLY ARRANGED.

| Name. | No. | Name. | No. | Name. | No. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Acacia | 51 | Frontier | 152 | Newport | 118 |
| Agate | 167 | Fulda | 170 | Nicollet | 54 |
| Albert Pike | 237 | Garnet | 166 | Norman | 154 |
| Alpha | 230 | Geneva | 196 | Northern | 236 |
| Alma | 131 | Golden Fleece | 89 | North Star | 23 |
| Amboy | 193 | Golden Rule | 65 | Olivia | 220 |
| Anchor | 178 | Golden Sheaf | 133 | Orient | 84 |
| Ancient Landmark | 5 | Good Faith | 90 | Oriental | 34 |
| Anoka | 30 | Grand Meadow | 121 | Orion | 138 |
| Antiquity | 91 | Granite | 117 | Osakis | 180 |
| Appleton | 137 | Griswold | 218 | Palestine | 79 |
| Arcana | 187 | Guardian | 149 | Park Region | 227 |
| Argyle | 215 | Hallock | 212 | Paynesville | 71 |
| Ark | 176 | Harmony | 43 | Perham | 157 |
| Ashler | 61 | Hawley | 256 | Pickwick | 110 |
| Astra | 240 | Hector | 158 | Pierson | 169 |
| Atelier | 202 | Henderson | 80 | Pleasant Grove | 22 |
| Aurora | 100 | Hennepin | 4 | Plumb Line | 173 |
| Barto | 249 | Hermon | 41 | Plymouth | 160 |
| Bemidji | 233 | High Forest | 85 | Prairie | 123 |
| Ben Franklin | 144 | Hokah | 17 | Prescott | 162 |
| Benton | 146 | Hope | 42 | Preston | 36 |
| Bethel | 103 | Howard | 82 | Prudence | 97 |
| Bird Island | 144 | Humboldt | 132 | Quarry | 148 |
| Blue Earth City | 57 | Huram Abi | 83 | Raymond | 248 |
| Blue Earth Valley | 27 | Illustrious | 63 | Red Wing | 8 |
| Braden | 168 | Ionic | 186 | Relief | 108 |
| Brownsville | 73 | Itasca | 208 | Renville | 195 |
| Caledonia | 20 | Janesville | 124 | Rising Sun | 49 |
| Canby | 147 | Jasper | 164 | Rochester | 21 |
| Cannon River | 52 | Joppa | 76 | Roman Eagle | 175 |
| Canton | 194 | Josephus | 128 | Rough Ashlar | 177 |
| Capital City | 217 | Justice | 225 | Ruthton | 242 |
| Carnelian | 40 | Kellogg | 122 | St. Elmo | 204 |
| Carver | 111 | Kenyon | 201 | St. Johns | 1 |
| Cass | 243 | Keystone | 94 | St. Paul | 3 |
| Cataract | 2 | Khurum | 112 | Sakatah | 32 |
| Chain Lake | 64 | King David | 179 | Sandstone | 234 |
| Charity | 98 | King Hiram | 31 | Sharon | 104 |
| Chaska | 151 | King Solomon | 44 | Shekinah | 171 |
| Chisago | 232 | Kodahya | 153 | Shell | 184 |
| Clear Water | 28 | Lafayette | 116 | Sherburne | 95 |
| Cokato | 134 | Lakefield | 250 | Sibley | 209 |
| Columbian | 210 | Lake Park | 254 | Sincerity | 161 |
| Concord | 47 | Lakeview | 143 | Social | 48 |
| Constellation | 81 | Lansing | 72 | Spring Valley | 58 |
| Corinthian | 67 | Lebanon | 102 | Star | 62 |
| Corner Stone | 99 | Libanus | 96 | Star in the East | 33 |
| Coteau | 244 | Lincoln | 226 | Star in the West | 60 |
| Crescent | 207 | Little Falls | 140 | Stewart | 229 |
| Crookston | 141 | Long Prairie | 159 | Stewartville | 203 |
| Crow River | 192 | Madelia | 66 | Summit | 163 |
| Currie | 142 | Magnolia | 231 | Sunset | 109 |
| Dakota | 7 | Mankato | 12 | Swift | 129 |
| Dalles | 181 | Mantorville | 11 | Temple | 59 |
| Delta | 119 | Marietta | 172 | Tracy | 155 |
| Dexter | 253 | McKinley | 251 | Traverse | 189 |
| Doric | 87 | Melrose | 145 | Triune | 190 |
| Edgerton | 235 | Meridian | 56 | Tuscan | 77 |
| Elgin | 115 | Mesaba | 255 | Tyrian | 86 |
| Elysian | 222 | Midway | 185 | Union | 45 |
| Equality | 238 | Minneapolis | 19 | Unity | 93 |
| Equity | 221 | Minnehaha | 165 | Valley | 174 |
| Euclid | 198 | Minnesota | 224 | Vermillion | 197 |
| Eureka | 75 | Mizpah | 191 | Verndale | 139 |
| Evansville | 214 | Montgomery | 258 | Vernon Center | 228 |
| Eveleth | 239 | Monticello | 16 | Wabasso | 245 |
| Evergreen | 46 | Moorhead | 126 | Wadena | 156 |
| Excelsior | 113 | Mora | 223 | Walnut | 136 |
| Fair Haven | 182 | Morality | 247 | Wapahasa | 14 |
| Faribault | 9 | Morning Star | 29 | Warren | 150 |
| Fellowship | 257 | Morton | 252 | Washington | 38 |
| Fidelity | 39 | Mount Hermon | 219 | Watertown | 50 |
| Fides | 246 | Mount Moriah | 35 | Wayzata | 205 |
| Florence | 216 | Mount Tabor | 106 | Western Star | 26 |
| Fortitude | 188 | Murray | 198 | Wilton | 24 |
| Fosston | 206 | Mystic | 213 | Winona | 18 |
| Fraternal | 92 | Mystic Circle | 78 | Winslow Lewis | 125 |
| Fraternity | 101 | Mystic Star | 69 | Zenith | 200 |
| Frazee | 241 | Mystic Tie | 37 | Zion | 56 |
| Friendship | 211 | Nelson | 135 | | |

# APPENDIX F.

## LOCATION OF LODGES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

| Location. | Lodge. | No. | Location. | Lodge. | No. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ada | Norman | 154 | Faribault | Faribault | 9 |
| Adrian | Roman Eagle | 175 | Farmington | Corinthian | 67 |
| Aitkin | Mystic | 213 | Fergus Falls | Corner Stone | 99 |
| Albert Lea | Western Star | 26 | Fosston | Fosston | 206 |
| Alexandria | Constellation | 81 | Frazee | Frazee | 241 |
| Alma City | Wilton | 24 | Fulda | Fulda | 179 |
| Amboy | Amboy | 193 | Glencoe | Hope | 42 |
| Annandale | Fair Haven | 182 | Glenwood | Valley | 174 |
| Anoka | Anoka | 30 | Good Thunder | Joppa | 76 |
| Appleton | Appleton | 137 | Graceville | Friendship | 211 |
| Argyle | Argyle | 215 | Grand Meadow | Grand Meadow | 121 |
| Atwater | Orion | 138 | Grand Rapids | Itasca | 208 |
| Austin | Fidelity | 39 | Granite Falls | Granite | 117 |
| Barnesville | Pierson | 169 | Hallock | Hallock | 212 |
| Belgrade | Crow River | 192 | Hancock | Mt. Hermon | 219 |
| Belle Plaine | Rough Ashlar | 177 | Hastings | Dakota | 7 |
| Bemidji | Bemidji | 233 | Hastings | Mt. Moriah | 35 |
| Benson | Swift | 129 | Hawley | Hawley | 256 |
| Bird Island | Bird Island | 144 | Hector | Hector | 158 |
| Blooming Prairie | Prairie | 123 | Henderson | Henderson | 80 |
| Blue Earth | Blue Earth City | 57 | Hendricks | Morality | 247 |
| Brainerd | Aurora | 100 | Hendrum | Alpha | 230 |
| Breckenridge | Frontier | 152 | Herman | Prescott | 162 |
| Brown's Valley | Kodayha | 153 | Heron Lake | Columbian | 210 |
| Brownsville | Brownsville | 73 | Hibbing | Mesaba | 255 |
| Brownsdale | Lafayette | 116 | High Forest | High Forest | 85 |
| Brownton | Guardian | 149 | Hokah | Hokah | 17 |
| Buffalo | Nelson | 135 | Hopkins | Albert Pike | 237 |
| Caledonia | Caledonia | 20 | Houston | Mystic Circle | 78 |
| Campbell | Agate | 167 | Howard Lake | Howard | 82 |
| Canby | Canby | 147 | Hutchinson | Temple | 59 |
| Cannon Falls | Oriental | 34 | Jackson | St. Elmo | 204 |
| Canton | Canton | 194 | Janesville | Janesville | 124 |
| Carver | Carver | 111 | Jasper | Good Faith | 90 |
| Cass Lake | Cass | 243 | Jordan | King Hiram | 31 |
| Chaska | Chaska | 151 | Kasson | Huram Abi | 83 |
| Chatfield | Meridian | 56 | Kellogg | Kellogg | 122 |
| Clear Water | Clear Water | 28 | Kenyon | Kenyon | 201 |
| Cleveland | Concord | 47 | Kimball | Plumb Line | 173 |
| Cloquet | Dalles | 181 | La Crescent | Morning Star | 29 |
| Clyde | Evergreen | 46 | Lake Benton | Benton | 146 |
| Cokato | Cokato | 134 | Lake City | Carnelian | 40 |
| Cottage Grove | Acacia | 51 | Lake Crystal | Bethel | 103 |
| Cottonwood | Equity | 221 | Lakefield | Lakefield | 250 |
| Crookston | Crookston | 141 | Lake Park | Lake Park | 254 |
| Currie | Currie | 142 | Lakeland | Golden Rule | 65 |
| Dassel | Griswold | 218 | Lamberton | Justice | 225 |
| Dawson | Atelier | 202 | Lanesboro | Lebanon | 102 |
| Detroit | Mt. Tabor | 106 | Lansing | Lansing | 72 |
| Dexter | Dexter | 253 | Le Roy | Eureka | 75 |
| Dodge Center | Relief | 108 | Lester Prairie | Astra | 240 |
| Duluth | Palestine | 79 | Le Sueur | Union | 45 |
| Duluth | Ionic | 186 | Lewiston | Harmony | 43 |
| Echo | Barto | 249 | Litchfield | Golden Fleece | 89 |
| Edgerton | Edgerton | 234 | Little Falls | Little Falls | 140 |
| Elbow Lake | Park Region | 227 | Long Prairie | Long Prairie | 159 |
| Elgin | Elgin | 115 | Luverne | Ben Franklin | 114 |
| Elk River | Sherburne | 95 | Lyle | Alma | 131 |
| Elmore | King David | 179 | Madelia | Madelia | 66 |
| Elysian | Elysian | 222 | Madison | Geneva | 196 |
| Evansville | Evansville | 214 | Mankato | Mankato | 12 |
| Eveleth | Eveleth | 239 | Mantorville | Mantorville | 11 |
| Excelsior | Excelsior | 113 | Marietta | Marietta | 172 |
| Eyota | Ashler | 61 | Marshall | Delta | 119 |
| Fairmont | Chain Lake | 64 | Mapleton | Josephus | 128 |

APPENDIX F.—*Continued.*

| Location. | Lodge. | No. | Location. | Lodge. | No. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mazeppa | Tyrian | 86 | Shakopee | King Solomon | 44 |
| Melrose | Melrose | 145 | Slayton | Murray | 199 |
| Milaca | Lincoln | 226 | Sherburn | Magnolia | 231 |
| Minneapolis | Cataract | 2 | Sleepy Eye | Keystone | 94 |
| Minneapolis | Hennepin | 4 | South St. Paul | Mizpah | 191 |
| Minneapolis | Minneapolis | 19 | Springfield | Zenith | 200 |
| Minneapolis | Khurum | 112 | Spring Valley | Spring Valley | 58 |
| Minneapolis | Plymouth | 160 | Staples | Crescent | 207 |
| Minneapolis | Minnehaha | 165 | Stewart | Stewart | 229 |
| Minneapolis | Ark | 176 | Stewartville | Stewartville | 203 |
| Minneapolis | Arcana | 187 | Stillwater | St. Johns | 1 |
| Minneapolis | Minnesota | 224 | St. Charles | Rising Sun | 49 |
| Minneota | Equality | 238 | St. Cloud | North Star | 23 |
| Money Creek | Orient | 84 | St. James | Libanus | 96 |
| Montevideo | Sunset | 109 | St. Paul | St. Paul | 3 |
| Monticello | Monticello | 16 | St. Paul | Anc'nt Landm'k. | 5 |
| Moorhead | Moorhead | 126 | St. Paul | Summit | 163 |
| Mora | Mora | 223 | St. Paul | Braden | 168 |
| Morris | Golden Sheaf | 133 | St. Paul | Shekinah | 171 |
| Morristown | Cannon River | 52 | St. Paul | Midway | 185 |
| Morton | Morton | 252 | St. Paul | Triune | 190 |
| New Paynesville | Paynesville | 71 | St. Paul | Capitol City | 217 |
| Newport | Newport | 118 | St. Paul | Montgomery | 258 |
| New Ulm | Charity | 98 | St. Peter | Nicollet | 54 |
| North Branch | Chisago | 232 | Taylor's Falls | Zion | 55 |
| North St. Paul | Fellowship | 257 | Thief River Falls | Northern | 236 |
| Northfield | Social | 48 | Tower | Vermillion | 197 |
| Olivia | Olivia | 220 | Tracy | Tracy | 155 |
| Ortonville | Lakeview | 143 | Two Harbors | Fortitude | 188 |
| Osakis | Osakis | 180 | Tyler | McKinley | 251 |
| Osseo | Winslow Lewis | 125 | Verndale | Verndale | 139 |
| Owatonna | Star in the East | 33 | Vernon Center | Vernon Center | 228 |
| Park Rapids | Shell | 184 | Villard | Sincerity | 161 |
| Perham | Perham | 157 | Wabasha | Wapahasa | 14 |
| Pickwick | Pickwick | 110 | Wabasso | Wabasso | 245 |
| Pine Island | Mystic Tie | 37 | Wadena | Wadena | 156 |
| Pipestone | Quarry | 148 | Walnut Grove | Walnut | 136 |
| Plainview | Illustrious | 63 | Warren | Warren | 150 |
| Pleasant Grove | Pleasant Grove | 22 | Waseca | Tuscan | 77 |
| Preston | Preston | 36 | Watertown | Watertown | 50 |
| Princeton | Fraternal | 92 | Waterville | Sakatah | 32 |
| Raymond | Raymond | 248 | Wayzata | Wayzata | 205 |
| Red Wing | Red Wing | 8 | Wells | Doric | 87 |
| Redwood Falls | Antiquity | 91 | West Concord | Washington | 38 |
| Renville | Renville | 195 | West Duluth | Euclid | 9 |
| Rochester | Rochester | 21 | Wheaton | Traverse | 189 |
| Rockford | Star | 62 | White Bear | Garnet | 166 |
| Royalton | Anchor | 178 | Willmar | Sharon | 104 |
| Rush City | Jasper | 164 | Windom | Prudence | 97 |
| Rushford | Mystic Star | 69 | Winnebago City | Blue Earth Val'y | 27 |
| Russell | Coteau | 244 | Winona | Winona | 18 |
| Ruthton | Ruthton | 242 | Winthrop | Sibley | 209 |
| Sanborn | Fides | 246 | Wood Lake | Florence | 216 |
| Sandstone | Sandstone | 234 | Worthington | Fraternity | 101 |
| Sauk Centre | Star in the West | 60 | Young America | Humboldt | 132 |
| Sauk Rapids | Unity | 93 | Zumbrota | Hermon | 41 |

# In Memoriam.

Royal Hatch Gove, - - Past Grand Master

Born at Strafford, Vt., Jan. 16, 1830.
Died at Rochester, Minn., Feb. 28, 1903.

William Tuttle Rigby, - Past Deputy Grand Master

Born at Oxford, N. Y., Sept. 14, 1824.
Died at Clear Water, Minn., April 22, 1903.

## Past Grand Masters.

| Name. | Jurisdiction. | Date of Death. |
|---|---|---|
| Henry Hart Brown | Alabama | Jan. 9, 1903 |
| George W. Cheney | Arizona | Aug. 14, 1903 |
| Alvarez Y. Gonzales | Cuba | Oct. 14, 1903 |
| Eli S. Quintard | Connecticut | Mch. 15, 1903 |
| William W. Lee | Connecticut | Sept. 14, 1903 |
| John W. Mix | Connecticut | Oct. 12, 1903 |
| P. H. Bromwell | Colorado | Jan. 9, 1903 |
| Roger W. Woodbury | Colorado | July 11, 1903 |
| Noble D. Larner | Dist. Columbia | Mch. 19, 1903 |
| James M. Mobley | Georgia | May 9, 1903 |
| Wm. D. Thompson | Kansas | Mch. 5, 1903 |
| James W. Staton | Kentucky | June 27, 1903 |
| Winfield S. Choate | Maine | June 27, 1903 |
| Charles H. Ohr | Maryland | Mch. 3, 1903 |
| George H. Durand | Michigan | June 8, 1903 |
| John L. Spinks | Mississippi | April 25, 1903 |
| John C. Yocum | Missouri | April 26, 1903 |
| Charles H. Gould | Montana | June 5, 1903 |
| Samuel Word | Montana | Sept. 24, 1903 |
| Chas. John McDonald | Nova Scotia | Oct. 12, 1903 |
| Michael Arnold | Pennsylvania | April 24, 1903 |
| Samuel C. Perkins | Pennsylvania | —— —, 1903 |
| Stillman White | Rhode Island | April 3, 1903 |
| Bun F. Price | Tennessee | May 4, 1903 |
| De Forest Richards | Wyoming | April 28, 1903 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| John J. Mason, G. Sec. | Canada | June 15, 1903 |
| Jefferson S. Conover, G. Sec., | Michigan | April 5, 1903 |

## DEATHS IN 1903.

| Name of Lodge. | No. | Name of Deceased. | Date. |
|---|---|---|---|
| St. Johns | 1 | Wm. H. Smithson | Sept. 1, 1902 |
| | | James N. Castle | Jan. 2, 1903 |
| | | Mathew Shortall | Sept. 15, 1903 |
| | | Bronson E. Meiggs | Oct. 4, 1903 |
| Cataract | 2 | O. L. Gag | May 12, 1903 |
| | | W. H. Richardson | May 26, 1903 |
| St. Paul | 3 | Daniel W. Pond | May 30, 1903 |
| | | Mathew Craig | July 24, 1903 |
| | | Rodney C. Gooding | Aug. 7, 1903 |
| | | Francis Lander | Sept. 15, 1903 |
| | | Edward A. Hepburn | Oct. 21, 1903 |
| | | Otto R. Fox | Dec. 16, 1903 |
| Hennepin | 4 | Fay E. Warner | Jan. 11, 1903 |
| | | Moses J. Getchell | Jan. 24, 1903 |
| | | Edward Oyler | Feb. 5, 1903 |
| | | John G. McGregor | April 12, 1903 |
| | | Henry A. Loverin | May 9, 1903 |
| | | James Forster | May 14, 1903 |
| | | I. R. Snow | Oct. 24. 1903 |
| Ancient Landmark | 5 | Isaac P. Wright | Feb. 9, 1903 |
| | | John Summers | March 8, 1903 |
| | | Henry B. Farwell | April 20, 1903 |
| | | Nathan Myrick | June 5, 1903 |
| | | Henry S. Haas | July 17, 1903 |
| | | C. W. Carpenter | Aug. 10, 1903 |
| Red Wing | 8 | Swante J. Willard | March 17, 1903 |
| | | James C. Hawes | March 23, 1903 |
| | | Ira S. Kellogg | April 15, 1903 |
| | | Jacob Sieg | July 5, 1903 |
| | | John H. Friedrich | Oct. 10, 1903 |
| | | Wm. R. Gale | Dec. 8, 1903 |
| | | Joseph F. Oliva | Dec. 19, 1903 |
| Faribault | 9 | J. L. Dunham | Aug. 19, 1902 |
| | | R. M. Evans | March 30, 1903 |
| | | B. Schmidt | Sept. 22, 1903 |
| Mantorville | 11 | Wm. Magill | Nov. 20, 1903 |
| | | Wm. H. Edison | Dec. 16, 1903 |
| Mankato | 12 | C. S. C. Christensen | Feb. 8, 1903 |
| | | Aaron Hennelein | May 25, 1903 |
| Wapahasa | 14 | Joshua B. Haines | Nov. 7, 1901 |
| Monticello | 16 | Daniel Gray | May 19, 1903 |
| | | Wm. P. Barnett | Oct. 23, 1903 |
| Winona | 18 | Bernhard Kirst | April 8, 1903 |
| | | Matthew Marvin | July 25, 1903 |
| | | Wm. Gale | Aug. 13, 1903 |
| | | J. Q. A. Vale | Sept. 5, 1903 |
| Minneapolis | 19 | Richard R. Clark | Jan. 3, 1903 |
| | | Cyrus I. Hurd | Jan. 26, 1903 |
| | | T. B. Nason | Feb. 1, 1903 |
| | | Jacob Domm | April 23, 1903 |
| | | G. W. Carpenter | May 12, 1903 |
| | | F. J. Tomlinson | May 27, 1903 |
| | | Roland C. Bowman | May 30, 1903 |
| | | Albert Herder | June 26, 1903 |
| | | John C. Schultz | July 22, 1903 |
| | | Christopher Hanke | Sept. 4, 1903 |
| Caledonia | 20 | Jesse Scofield | Sept. 16, 1903 |
| Rochester | 21 | Royal H. Gove | Feb. 28, 1903 |
| | | Nathan N. Hammond | May 14, 1903 |
| | | Wm. P. Brooks | Aug. 5, 1903 |
| | | E. Damon | Sept. 30, 1903 |
| North Star | 23 | John Moshier | March 30, 1903 |
| | | Silas Marlatt | Sept. 13, 1903 |
| | | Fred A. Ranney | Dec. 14, 1903 |
| Western Star | 26 | S. H. Cody | July 17, 1903 |
| Clear Water | 28 | Wm. T. Rigby | April 22, 1903 |
| | | James J. Jenks | July 9, 1903 |
| | | E. P. Perkins | July ... 1903 |
| | | Thos. C. Porter | Dec. 5, 1903 |

DEATHS IN 1903—*Continued.*

| Name of Lodge. | No. | Name of Deceased. | Date. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Morning Star | 29 | Albert Keith | Nov. 16, 1903 |
| Anoka | 30 | M. S. Faville | July 11, 1903 |
| | | Truman F. Allen | Sept. 27, 1903 |
| | | John B. Talcott | Dec. 5, 1903 |
| King Hiram | 31 | Enoch Cragun | Oct. 31, 1903 |
| Star in the East | 33 | Orlando Lindesmith | July 20, 1903 |
| Oriental | 34 | John Alex Wilson | April 16, 1903 |
| Mount Moriah | 35 | J. A. Case | April 30, 1903 |
| | | Isaac Lytle | May 22, 1903 |
| Mystic Tie | 37 | H. C. Packard | Nov. 22, 1903 |
| Fidelity | 39 | George W. Benton | April 24, 1903 |
| | | John Guy | July 29, 1903 |
| | | James D. Brown | Sept. 4, 1903 |
| | | Wm. T. Wilkins | Sept. 17, 1903 |
| | | Walter Ward | Dec. 13, 1903 |
| Carnelian | 40 | Henry Dwelle | March 20, 1903 |
| | | Wm. M. McRostie | Aug. 25, 1903 |
| Hope | 42 | A. L. Hall | Sept. 3, 1903 |
| | | V. Hugo Laible | Oct. 15, 1903 |
| King Solomon | 44 | Wm. E. Davis | April 3, 1903 |
| Union | 45 | John Taylor | June 10, 1903 |
| Concord | 47 | John Van Antwerp | March 30, 1903 |
| Social | 48 | J. R. Sumner | July 30, 1903 |
| Rising Sun | 49 | George Bartlett | Jan. 11, 1903 |
| | | Malcolm Clark | March 8, 1903 |
| | | John A. Welch | June 16, 1903 |
| | | Thomas P. Dixon | Aug. 12, 1903 |
| | | Hiram W. Hill | Dec. 1, 1903 |
| Watertown | 50 | A. J. Tarvin | ..... .., 1903 |
| Acacia | 51 | Alfred L. Holman | Jan. 24, 1903 |
| | | Putnam F. Gage | Sept. 24, 1903 |
| Meridian | 56 | Orrin Thurber | Feb. 15, 1903 |
| Blue Earth City | 57 | Frank D. Yerder | March 15, 1903 |
| | | Almond E. Champney | June 4, 1903 |
| Spring Valley | 58 | Louis P. Hann | July 7, 1903 |
| Temple | 59 | Levi W. Ells | July 3, 1903 |
| | | Wm. W. Pendergast | July 17, 1903 |
| Star in the West | 60 | James D. Carr | March 14, 1903 |
| Star | 62 | J. R. Ames | May 27, 1903 |
| | | Casper Fries | July 30, 1903 |
| | | Otto Thilkie | Sept. 18, 1903 |
| Chain Lake | 64 | John F. Daniels | April 22, 1903 |
| Mystic Star | 69 | Geo. G. Stevens | March 17, 1903 |
| | | Charles Drake | May 7, 1903 |
| Paynesville | 71 | Daniel Chisholm | Jan. 3, 1903 |
| | | Frank W. Johnson | Feb. 2, 1903 |
| Lansing | 72 | George M. Bagley | May 1, 1903 |
| Eureka | 75 | G. M. Alsdorf | Jan. 22, 1903 |
| | | T. A. Killen | April 13, 1903 |
| Joppa | 76 | Samuel D. Ingram | March 27, 1903 |
| Tuscan | 77 | Eri G. Wood | Feb. 10, 1903 |
| | | George Webb | June 22, 1903 |
| Mystic Circle | 78 | Wm. C. Raasig | March .., 1903 |
| Palestine | 79 | Timothy E. Lemmiex | Jan. 17, 1903 |
| | | Elijah C. Gridley | Feb. 7, 1903 |
| | | Chas. G. Franklin | Feb. 9, 1903 |
| | | Edward McCue | Feb. 22, 1903 |
| | | A. W. Dutton | March 5, 1903 |
| | | Nathaniel Flemming | Nov. 5, 1903 |
| Huram Abi | 83 | George W. Gove | Sept. 27, 1903 |
| High Forest | 85 | August G. Swab | Feb. 1, 1903 |
| | | Robert Ruhntopp | Dec. 20, 1903 |
| | | Cyrus Converse | Dec. 20, 1903 |
| Tyrian | 86 | Henry Heath | May 1, 1903 |
| | | A. J. Moorhead | Sept. .., 1903 |
| Doric | 87 | J. M. Nye | Feb. 22, 1903 |
| Golden Fleece | 89 | Vincent P. Kennedy | Feb. 8, 1903 |
| | | Alex James Lee | July 10, 1903 |
| | | Robert A. Vorys | July 11, 1903 |

DEATHS IN 1903—*Continued.*

| Name of Lodge. | No. | Name of Deceased. | Date. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Antiquity | 91 | Thomas H. King | April 17, 1903 |
| Fraternal | 92 | Loumis Berry | March 11, 1903 |
| | | John T. D. Sadley | Dec. 12, 1903 |
| Unity | 93 | Sylvester Chrysler | Jan. 16, 1903 |
| | | George W. Smitten | April 10, 1903 |
| | | Winslow L. Sartell | Dec. 2, 1903 |
| Keystone | 94 | Christopher Salkowske | Jan. 14, 1903 |
| Sherburne | 95 | S. W. Barrett | Dec. 11, 1903 |
| Libanus | 96 | Samuel Farver | Nov. 22, 1903 |
| Corner Stone | 99 | C. C. Jenkins | May .., 1903 |
| Aurora | 100 | Allin F. Ferris | Sept. 6, 1903 |
| | | H. J. Hogadom | Dec. 16, 1903 |
| Lebanon | 102 | Artemus W. Patterson | Sept. 29, 1903 |
| Bethel | 103 | Merriam Barker | Nov. 20, 1903 |
| Mt. Tabor | 106 | H. M. Martinson | March 17, 1903 |
| | | Peter O. Fossum | April 26, 1903 |
| | | Stephen King | May 21, 1903 |
| Sunset | 109 | Simon Bue | Aug. 24, 1903 |
| | | John A. Fullerton | Nov. 6, 1903 |
| Pickwick | 110 | John A. Sperbeck | Nov. 16, 1903 |
| | | Elisha B. Huffman | Dec. 11, 1903 |
| Carver | 111 | Chas. D. Danwalter | Oct. 14, 1903 |
| | | Jacob Thorne | Nov. 3, 1903 |
| Khurum | 112 | Paul F. Schmedeman | March 26, 1903 |
| | | Asaph Mayo | April 10, 1903 |
| | | Chas. H. Durrin | April 23, 1903 |
| | | Joseph B. Moore | Aug. 13, 1903 |
| | | Thos. J. Buxton | Oct. 5, 1903 |
| | | George Huhn | Oct. 30, 1903 |
| Ben Franklin | 114 | James Marshall | Jan. 8, 1903 |
| Elgin | 115 | Joseph W. Steffun | ..... .., 1902 |
| | | Wm. H. Feller | Jan. 18, 1902 |
| | | Henry C. Woodruff | Jan. 15, 1903 |
| Delta | 119 | D. F. Weymouth | Feb. 25, 1903 |
| | | George E. Johnson | May 25, 1903 |
| | | Silas N. Harrington | Sept. 12, 1903 |
| | | Clarence M. Boutelle | Sept. 15, 1903 |
| | | Robert R. Roberts | Oct. 14, 1903 |
| Grand Meadow | 121 | Samuel R. Stout | May 17, 1903 |
| | | Alfred J. Stewart | Oct. 7, 1903 |
| Winslow Lewis | 125 | Joseph F. Schrander | Feb. 28, 1903 |
| Josephus | 128 | George H. Waddell | Sept. 15, 1903 |
| Humboldt | 132 | Henry Grimm | Sept. 13, 1903 |
| | | Fred E. Chambers | ..... .., 1903 |
| Cokato | 134 | Nels B. Peterson | April 23, 1903 |
| Nelson | 135 | Nathan Warner | April 4, 1903 |
| Walnut | 136 | George M. Lang | Aug. 9, 1903 |
| Appleton | 137 | Warden E. Tyler | March 5, 1903 |
| | | Peter Heen | Oct. 5, 1903 |
| Verndale | 139 | E. L. Ingals | ..... .., 1903 |
| Little Falls | 140 | J. H. Rhodes | April 1, 1903 |
| Crookston | 141 | De Forest Bucklen | May 30, 1903 |
| | | Fred'k A. Chapin | Nov. 22, 1903 |
| Currie | 142 | Leonard Aldrich | Aug. 18, 1903 |
| Lakeview | 143 | John Fey | Feb. 2, 1903 |
| | | Arthur W. Schoen | Dec. 7, 1903 |
| Bird Island | 144 | John P. Gibbs | Feb. 16, 1903 |
| | | George R. Crosby | Oct. 22, 1903 |
| Quarry | 148 | Joseph Nuttle | Feb. 11, 1903 |
| Warren | 150 | W. A. Case | Feb. 7, 1903 |
| Frontier | 152 | De Wilmot Smith | Nov. 5, 1903 |
| Tracy | 155 | Louis R. Dudrey | July 27, 1903 |
| | | John Doyle | Nov. 23, 1903 |
| Hector | 158 | Emil J. Anderson | Nov. 12, 1903 |
| Plymouth | 160 | Avery R. Coulson | Jan. 22, 1903 |
| | | William S. Wagner | Oct. 24, 1903 |
| | | Johann N. Priester | Nov. 7, 1903 |
| Prescott | 162 | Hiram H. Bingham | May 7, 1903 |
| | | Wm. H. Townsend | July 10, 1903 |

DEATHS IN 1903—*Continued.*

| Name of Lodge. | No. | Name of Deceased. | Date. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Summit | 163 | James H. Mahler | March 22, 1903 |
| | | John H. Bryant | April 4, 1903 |
| | | Stewart L. Moore | April 4, 1903 |
| | | Fred'k A. Smith | July 3, 1903 |
| Jasper | 164 | Linsey McKee | July 11, 1903 |
| | | Lawrence M. Gale | Nov. 2, 1903 |
| Minnehaha | 165 | Marvin G. Poole | March 19, 1903 |
| | | James W. Coleman | July 27, 1903 |
| Garnet | 166 | Daniel Getty | Nov. 13, 1903 |
| Agate | 167 | Lars Rasmusson | March 4, 1903 |
| | | August Stoebe | April 16, 1903 |
| | | George D. Watkins | Oct. 7, 1903 |
| Braden | 168 | Thos. C. Hetherington | Jan. 17, 1903 |
| | | Wm. M. Croome | March 5, 1903 |
| | | Lucien J. Hart | Oct. 20, 1903 |
| Shekinah | 171 | Charles W. Jenkins | May 24, 1903 |
| Plumb Line | 173 | John Doran | ..... .., 1903 |
| Ark | 176 | Charles E. Stephens | April 9, 1903 |
| Anchor | 178 | William Dragoo | March 19, 1903 |
| Osakis | 180 | Charles Curtis | June 8, 1903 |
| Shell | 184 | Thomas J. Rima | Feb. 9, 1903 |
| | | Romaine E. Davis | Aug. 27, 1903 |
| Ionic | 186 | Thos. McKane | ..... .., .... |
| | | Albert C. Barlow | Jan. 10, 1903 |
| | | Henry S. Moody | April 30, 1903 |
| Traverse | 189 | Ole Solem | April 4, 1901 |
| Crow River | 192 | John Ward | July 31, 1903 |
| Amboy | 193 | Clark S. Latten | May 9, 1903 |
| Canton | 194 | Gunder Larson | Aug. 27, 1903 |
| Renville | 195 | Stephen F. Dwaterhoft | April 9, 1903 |
| Vermillion | 197 | Stuart Bates | May 7, 1903 |
| Euclid | 198 | Wm. A. Davidson | Jan. 19, 1903 |
| Stewartville | 203 | Roswell D. Sage | Jan. 25, 1903 |
| Crescent | 207 | John Nason | July 6, 1903 |
| Itasca | 208 | Thorwald Irgens | March 2, 1903 |
| Hallock | 212 | Fred'k K. Swanson | April 5, 1903 |
| Mystic | 213 | John P. Williams | Jan. 19, 1903 |
| | | Ephraim A. Zuver | May 18, 1903 |
| Capital City | 217 | Wm. Ernest Knoblock | Feb. 1, 1903 |
| Elysian | 222 | Oliver F. Whitten | May 7, 1903 |
| Mora | 223 | Wade A. Rutherford | June 15, 1903 |
| Minnesota | 224 | Charles S. Andrews | Jan. 3, 1903 |
| | | A. M. McAlpine | April 28, 1903 |
| Bemidji | 233 | Ed J. Achenbock | Aug. 22, 1903 |
| Northern | 236 | Charles E. Winslow | Dec. 30, 1903 |
| Frazee | 241 | Julius M. Downer | June 27, 1903 |
| | | John Bates | July 11, 1903 |
| Ruthton | 242 | James C. Peterson | June 11, 1903 |
| Cass | 243 | Carl H. Hagman | Nov. 22, 1903 |
| Fides | 246 | James H. Bennett | Nov. 20, 1903 |
| McKinley | 251 | Kristian L. Larson | June 12, 1903 |

# APPENDIX G.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

*To all whom it may concern, greeting:*

Know ye, that in accordance with a standing resolution of the Grand Lodge, I have divided the jurisdiction, and appointed District Deputy Grand Masters, as follows:

### FIRST DISTRICT.

LEWIS LOHN (206), Fosston, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Crookston, No. 141.....Crookston
Warren, No. 150:.....Warren
Norman, No. 154.....Ada
Fosston, No. 206.....Fosston
Hallock, No. 212.....Hallock
Argyle, No. 215.....Argyle
Alpha, No. 230.....Hendrum
Bemidji, No. 233.....Bemidji
Northern, No. 236.Thief River Falls
Cass, No. 243.....Cass Lake

### SECOND DISTRICT.

T. W. CHILTON (241), Frazee, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Aurora, No. 100.....Brainerd
Mt. Tabor, No. 106.....Detroit
Verndale, No. 139.....Verndale
Wadena, No. 156.....Wadena
Perham, No. 157.....Perham
Shell, No. 184.....Park Rapids
Crescent, No. 207.....Staples
Mystic, No. 213.....Aitkin
Frazee, No. 241.....Frazee

### THIRD DISTRICT.

SHELDON L. FRAZER (186), Duluth, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Palestine, No. 79.....Duluth
Dalles, No. 181.....Cloquet
Ionic, No. 186.....Duluth
Fortitude, No. 188....Two Harbors
Vermillion, No. 197.....Tower
Euclid, No. 198.....West Duluth
Itasca, No. 208.....Grand Rapids
Eveleth, No. 239.....Eveleth
Mesaba, No. 255.....Hibbing

## FOURTH DISTRICT.

WM. M. JAMES (152), Breckenridge, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Corner Stone, No. 99..Fergus Falls
Moorhead, No. 126.....Moorhead
Frontier, No. 152.....Breckenridge
Agate, No. 167.....Campbell
Pierson, No. 169.....Barnesville
Evansville, No. 214.....Evansville
Park Region, No. 227..Elbow Lake
Lake Park, No. 254.....Lake Park
Hawley, No. 256.....Hawley

## FIFTH DISTRICT.

WM. B. MITTSON (81), Alexandria, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Star in the West, No. 60.S'k Centre
Constellation, No. 81....Alexandria
Melrose, No. 145.....Melrose
Long Prairie, No. 159..Long Prairie
Sincerity, No. 161.....Villard
Valley, No. 174.....Glenwood
Osakis, No. 180.....Osakis

## SIXTH DISTRICT.

E. A. BOUTWELL (178), Royalton, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Monticello, No. 16.....Monticello
North Star, No. 23.....St. Cloud
Clear Water, No. 28...Clear Water
Unity, No. 93.....Sauk Rapids
Little Falls, No. 140...Little Falls
Anchor, No. 178.....Royalton

## SEVENTH DISTRICT.

JAMES H. WARD (226), Milaca, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Anoka, No. 30.....Anoka
Fraternal, No. 92.....Princeton
Sherburne, No. 95.....Elk River
Mora, No. 223.....Mora
Lincoln, No. 226.....Milaca
Sandstone, No. 234.....Sandstone

## EIGHTH DISTRICT.

H. G. MURDOCH (55), Taylors Falls, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

St. Johns, No. 1.....Stillwater
Acacia, No. 51.....Cottage Grove
Zion, No. 55.....Taylors Falls
Golden Rule, No. 65.....Lakeland
Jasper, No. 164.....Rush City
Garnet, No. 166.....White Bear
Chisago, No. 232.....North Branch

## NINTH DISTRICT.

H. K. KELLEY (182), Annandale, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

| | |
|---|---|
| Star, No. 62.....Rockford | Plumb Line, No. 173.....Kimball |
| Paynesville, No. 71.New Paynesv'le | Fair Haven, No. 182.....Annandale |
| Nelson, No. 135.....Buffalo | Crow River, No. 192.....Belgrade |

## TENTH DISTRICT.

MICHAEL ROMSTAD (129), Benson, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

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|---|---|
| Sharon, No. 104.....Willmar | Prescott, No. 162.....Herman |
| Swift, No. 129.....Benson | Mt. Hermon, No. 219.....Hancock |
| Golden Sheaf, No. 133.....Morris | Raymond, No. 248.....Raymond |

## ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

A. A. NARVERUD (82), Howard Lake, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

| | |
|---|---|
| Watertown, No. 50.....Watertown | Cokato, No. 134.....Cokato |
| Howard, No. 82.....Howard Lake | Orion, No. 138.....Atwater |
| Golden Fleece, No. 89.....Litchfield | Griswold, No. 218.....Dassel |

## TWELFTH DISTRICT.

GEO. F. GETTY (224), Minnetonka Mills, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

| | |
|---|---|
| Hennepin, No. 4.....Minneapolis | Wayzata, No. 205.....Wayzata |
| Minneapolis, No. 19....Minneapolis | Minnesota, No. 224.....Minneapolis |
| Khurum, No. 112.....Minneapolis | Albert Pike, No. 237.....Hopkins |
| Excelsior, No. 113.....Excelsior | |

## THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

A. A. BAKER (165), Minneapolis, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

| | |
|---|---|
| Cataract, No. 2.....Minneapolis | Minnehaha, No. 165....Minneapolis |
| Winslow Lewis, No. 125.....Osseo | Ark, No. 176.....Minneapolis |
| Plymouth, No. 160.....Minneapolis | Arcana, No. 187.....Minneapolis |

## FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

CHAS. H. KEMPER (168), St. Paul, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

| | |
|---|---|
| St. Paul, No. 3.....St. Paul | Newport, No. 118.....Newport |
| Ancient Landmark, No. 5..St. Paul | Braden, No. 168.....St. Paul |
| Dakota, No. 7.....Hastings | Fellowship, No. 257..North St. Paul |
| Mt. Moriah, No. 35.....Hastings | Montgomery, No. 258.....St. Paul |

## FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

CHAS. S. SCHURMAN (171), St. Paul, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

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|---|---|
| Summit, No. 163.....St. Paul | Triune, No. 190.....St. Paul |
| Shekinah, No. 171.....St. Paul | Mizpah, No. 191.....South St. Paul |
| Midway, No. 185.....St. Paul | Capital City, No. 217.....St. Paul |

## SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

E. C. BAIRD (211), Graceville, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

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|---|---|
| Appleton, No. 137.....Appleton | Traverse, No. 189.....Wheaton |
| Ortonville, No. 143.....Ortonville | Friendship, No. 211.....Graceville |
| Kodahya, No. 153...Browns Valley | |

## SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

WM. DUNBRACK (109), Montevideo, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

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|---|---|
| Sunset, No. 109.....Montevideo | Hector, No. 158.....Hector |
| Granite, No. 117.....Granite Falls | Renville, No. 195.....Renville |
| Bird Island, No. 144....Bird Island | Olivia, No. 220.....Olivia |

## EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

CARLOS AVERY (59), Hutchinson, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

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|---|---|
| Hope, No. 42.....Glencoe | Guardian, No. 149.....Brownton |
| Temple, No. 59.....Hutchinson | Chaska, No. 151.....Chaska |
| Carver, No. 111.....Carver | Stewart, No. 229.....Stewart |
| Humboldt, No. 132.Young America | Astra, No. 240.....Lester Prairie |

## NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

F. J. WHITLOCK (177), Belle Plaine, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

King Hiram, No. 31.....Jordan
King Solomon, No. 44....Shakopee
Union, No. 45.....Le Sueur
Concord, No. 47.....Cleveland
Nicollet, No. 54.....St. Peter
Henderson, No. 80.....Henderson
Rough Ashlar, No. 177..Belle Plaine

## TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

W. A. HAUCK (245), Wabasso, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Antiquity, No. 91....Redwood Falls
Marietta, No. 172.....Marietta
Geneva, No. 196.....Madison
Atalier, No. 202.....Dawson
Florence, No. 216.....Wood Lake
Wabasso, No. 245.....Wabasso
Barto, No. 249.....Echo
Morton, No. 252.....Morton

## TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

W. A. HAWKINS (119), Marshall, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Delta, No. 119.....Marshall
Benton, No. 146.....Lake Benton
Canby, No. 147.....Canby
Quarry, No. 148.....Pipestone
St. Elmo, No. 204.....Jasper
Equity, No. 221.....Cottonwood
Equality, No. 238.....Minneota
Ruthton, No. 242.....Ruthton
Coteau, No. 244.....Russell
Morality, No. 247.....Hendricks
McKinley, No. 251.....Tyler

## TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

WM. J. MCDONALD (136), Walnut Grove, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Keystone, No. 94.....Sleepy Eye
Charity, No. 98.....New Ulm
Walnut, No. 136.....Walnut Grove
Tracy, No. 155.....Tracy
Zenith, No. 200.....Springfield
Sibley, No. 209.....Winthrop
Justice, No. 225.....Lamberton
Fides, No. 246.....Sanborn

## TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

HARVEY HAWLEY (101), Worthington, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Prudence, No. 97.....Windom
Fraternity, No. 101....Worthington
Ben Franklin, No. 114.....Luverne
Currie, No. 142.....Currie
Fulda, No. 170.....Fulda
Roman Eagle, No. 175.....Adrian
Murray, No. 199.....Slayton
Columbian, No. 210.....Heron Lake
Edgerton, No. 235.....Edgerton

## TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

SAMUEL B. WILSON (12), Mankato, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Mankato, No. 12.....Mankato
Madelia, No. 66.....Madelia
Joppa, No. 76.....Good Thunder
Libanus, No. 96.....St. James
Bethel, No. 103.....Lake Crystal
Josephus, No. 128.....Mapleton
Amboy, No. 193.....Amboy
Vernon Center, No. 228.Ver. Center

## TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

W. W. Wold (90), Jackson, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Western Star, No. 26...Albert Lea
Blue Earth Vl'y, No. 27..Win. City
Blue Earth City, No. 57.Blue Earth
Chain Lake, No. 64.....Fairmont
Doric, No. 87.....Wells
Good Faith, No. 90.....Jackson
King David, No. 179.....Elmore
Magnolia, No. 231.....Sherburn
Lakefield, No. 250.....Lakefield

## TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

H. E. Conley (34), Cannon Falls, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Faribault, No. 9.....Faribault
Sakatah, No. 32.....Waterville
Oriental, No. 34.....Cannon Falls
Social, No. 48.....Northfield
Cannon River, No. 52...Morristown
Corinthian, No. 67.....Farmington
Elysian, No. 222.....Elysian

## TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

M. B. Chadwick (33), Owatonna, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Wilton, No. 24.....Alma City
Star in the East, No. 33..Owatonna
Tuscan, No. 77.....Waseca
Janesville, No. 124.....Janesville

## TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

E. Woodbury (41), Zumbrota, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Red Wing, No. 8.....Red Wing
Wapahasa, No. 14.....Wabasha
Mystic Tie, No. 37.....Pine Island
Carnelian, No. 40.....Lake City
Hermon, No. 41.....Zumbrota
Tyrian, No. 86.....Mazeppa
Kellogg, No. 122.....Kellogg

## TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

Geo. W. Ballard (108), Dodge Center, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Mantorville, No. 11.....Mantorville
Rochester, No. 21.....Rochester
Washington, No. 38..West Concord
Huram Abi, No. 83.....Kasson
Relief, No. 108.....Dodge Center
Kenyon, No. 201.....Kenyon

## THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

George R. Hall (63), Plainview, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

Harmony, No. 43.....Lewiston
Evergreen, No. 46.....Clyde
Rising Sun, No. 49.....St. Charles
Meridian, No. 56.....Chatfield
Ashler, No. 61.....Eyota
Illustrious, No. 63.....Plainview
Elgin, No. 115.....Elgin

## THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

A. B. WARREN (116), Brownsdale, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

| | |
|---|---|
| Fidelity, No. 39.....Austin | Prairie, No. 123...Blooming Prairie |
| Lansing, No. 72.....Lansing | Alma, No. 131.....Lyle |
| Lafayette, No. 116.....Brownsdale | |

## THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

W. A. NOLAN (121), Grand Meadow, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

| | |
|---|---|
| Pleasant Grove, No. 22. Pl'nt Grove | Grand Meadow, No. 121..Gd. M'd'w |
| Spring Valley, No. 58. Spring Valley | Stewartville, No. 203...Stewartville |
| Eureka, No. 75.....Le Roy | Dexter, No. 253.....Dexter |
| High Forest, No. 85....High Forest | |

## THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

D. P. HANSON (78), Houston, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

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| Hokah, No. 17.....Hokah | Orient, No. 84.....Money Creek |
| Preston, No. 36.....Preston | Lebanon, No. 102.....Lanesboro |
| Mystic Star, No. 69.....Rushford | Canton, No. 194.....Canton |
| Mystic Circle, No. 78.....Houston | |

## THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

WILL HAYES LAIRD (18), Winona, D.·. D.·. G.·. M.·.

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| Winona, No. 18.....Winona | Brownsville, No. 73....Brownsville |
| Caledonia, No. 20.....Caledonia | Pickwick, No. 110.....Pickwick |
| Morning Star, No. 29...La Crescent | |

And the said District Deputy Grand Masters are authorized to perform the duties and exercise the powers pertaining to said office, within their respective districts, until the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge of A.·. F.·. & A.·. M.·. of Minnesota, unless otherwise ordered.

Dated this 5th day of February, A. D. 1904, A.·. L.·. 5904.

WILLIAM A. McGONAGLE,
*Grand Master.*

Attest:
THOMAS MONTGOMERY,
*Grand Secretary.*

# APPENDIX H.

## GRAND MASTERS AND GRAND SECRETARIES, FEBRUARY, 1904.

| GRAND LODGE. (English Speaking) | NAME OF GRAND MASTER. | ADDRESS. | NAME OF GRAND SECRETARY. | ADDRESS. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alabama | Robert J. Redden | Sulligent | Geo. A. Beauchamp | Montgomery. |
| Arizona | James S. Cromb | Clifton | G. J. Roskruge | Tucson. |
| Arkansas | John T. Hicks | Little Rock | Fay Hempstead | Little Rock. |
| Brit. Columbia | C. Ensor Sharp | Esquimalt | R. E. Brett | Victoria. |
| California | Chas. W. Nutting | Etna Mills | Geo. Johnson | San Francisco |
| Canada | J. E. Harding | Lindsay | Hugh Murray | Hamilton,Ont |
| Colorado | James R. Killian | Denver | W. D. Todd | Denver. |
| Connecticut | L. W. Woodford | Naugatuck | J. H. Barlow | Hartford. |
| Delaware | Chas. H. Maull | Lewes | B. F. Bartram | Wilmington. |
| Dist. of Col | James A. Wetmore | Washington | A. W. Johnston | Washington. |
| England | Duke of Connaught | London | Edw. Letchworth | London. |
| Florida | Thos. M. Puleston | Monticello | W. P. Webster | Jacksonville. |
| Georgia | Max Meyerhardt | Rome | W. A. Wolihin | Macon. |
| Idaho | Joshua M. Cowen | Mountainhome | T. W. Randall | Boise. |
| Illinois | Wm. B. Wright | Effingham | J. H. C. Dill | Bloom |
| Indiana | Wm. E. English | Indianapolis | C. W. Prather | Indian |
| Indian Ter | John Coyle | Rush Springs | J. S. Murrow | Atoka. |
| Iowa | Charles C. Clark | Burlington | Newton R. Parvin | Cedar Rapids. |
| Ireland | Duke of Abercorn | Dublin | H. E. Flavelle, dep. | Dublin. |
| Kansas | Bestor G. Brown | Topeka | A. K. Wilson | Topeka. |
| Kentucky | Owen D. Thomas | Lebanon | H. B. Grant | Louisville. |
| Louisiana | Robert R. Reid | Amite City | Richard Lambert | New Orleans. |
| Maine | Wm. J. Burnham | Lewiston | Stephen Berry | Portland. |
| Manitoba | E. A. Braithwaite | Edmondton | James A. Ovas | Winnipeg. |
| Maryland | Thos. J. Shryock | Baltimore | Wm. M. Isaac | Baltimore. |
| Massachusetts | Baalis Sanford | Brockton | S. D. Nickerson | Boston. |
| Michigan | R. W. Broughton | Paw Paw | Lou B. Winsor | Reed City. |
| Minnesota | Wm. A. McGonagle | Duluth | Thos. Montgomery | St. Paul. |
| Mississippi | E. N. Thomas | Greenville | Frederic Speed | Vicksburg. |
| Missouri | Wm. F. Kuhn | Kansas City | J. D. Vincil | St. Louis. |
| Montana | Frank E. Smith | Lewiston | Cornelius Hedges | Helena. |
| Nebraska | Frank E. Bullard | North Platte | F. E. White | Omaha. |
| Nevada | Trenmor Coffin | Carson City | C. N. Noteware | Carson City. |
| N. Brunswick | Arthur I. Trueman | Saint John | J. T. Hartt | St. John. |
| N. Hampshire | Harry M. Cheney | Lebanon | F. D. Woodbury | Concord. |
| New Jersey | W. Holt Apgar | Trenton | T. H. R. Redway | Trenton. |
| New Mexico | J. C. Slack | Clayton | A. A. Keen | Albuquerque. |
| N. So. Wales | J. C. Remington | Sidney | A. H. Brav | Sidney. |
| New York | Elbert Crandall | New York | E. M. L. Ehlers | New York. |
| New Zealand | H. J. Williams | Wellington | Malcolm Niccol | Wellington. |
| North Carolina | H I. Clark | Scotland Neck | J. C. Drewry | Raleigh. |
| North Dakota | James T. Blacklock | Walhalla | F. J. Thompson | Fargo |
| Nova Scotia | William Ross | Halifax | Thos. Mowbray | Halifax. |
| Ohio | O. P. Sperra | Ravenna | J. H. Bromwell | Cincinnati. |
| Oklahoma | S. P. Larsh | Tecumseh | J. S. Hunt | Stillwater. |
| Oregon | S. M. Voran | Eugene | J. F. Robinson | Eugene. |
| Pennsylvania | Edgar A Tennis | Philadelphia | W. A. Sinn | Philadelphia. |
| P. Edw. Island | Benjamin Rogers | Charlottetown | N. MacKelvie | Summerside. |
| Quebec | J. B. Tresidder | Montreal | Will H. Whyte | Montreal. |
| Rhode Island | W. H Walker. | Providence | S. P. Williams | Providence. |
| Scotland | Charles M. Ramsay | Edinburgh | David Reid | Edinburgh. |
| S. Australia | Samuel J. Way | Adelaide | J. H. Cunningham | Adelaide. |
| So. Carolina | W. M. Whitehead | Charleston | Chas. Inglesby | Charleston. |
| South Dakota | Byron P. Dague | Deadwood | G. A. Pettigrew | Sioux Falls. |
| Tasmania | C. E. Davies | Hobart | John Hamilton | Hobart. |
| Tennessee | E P. McQueen | Loudon | J. B. Garrett | Nashville. |
| Texas | Wm. James | Fort Worth | John Watson | Waco. |
| Utah | Walter Scott | Salt Lake City | Christopher Diehl | Salt Lake City. |
| Vermont | Olin W. Daley | White River Jct. | Henry H. Ross | Burlington. |
| Victoria | A. J. Peacock | Melbourne | John Braim | Melbourne. |
| Virginia | Ed. N. Eubank | Newport News. | G. W. Carrington | Richmond. |
| Washington | Chas. D. Atkins | Tacoma | T. M. Reed | Olympia. |
| W. Australia | John W. Hackett | Perth | J. D. Stevenson | Perth. |
| West Virginia | George Hatch | Wheeling | G. W. Atkinson | Charleston. |
| Wisconsin | John Corscot | Madison | W. W. Perry | Milwaukee. |
| Wyoming | T. S. Taliaferro, Jr. | Rock Springs | W. L. Kuykendall | Saratoga. |

# APPENDIX I.

## REPRESENTATIVES OF GRAND LODGES.

| To | | | From | |
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| Name. | Residence. | State. | Name. | Residence. |
| Benj. F. Pope..... | Gadsden..... | Alabama..... | A. Brandenburg..... | Fergus Falls. |
| G. H. N. Luhrs..... | Phoenix..... | Arizona..... | T. J. Lombard..... | Hudson, Wis. |
| S. T. Rowe..... | Greenwood.... | Arkansas..... | Sheldon L. Frazer... | Duluth. |
| Albert Kruger..... | Antwerp..... | Belgium..... | A. Brandenburg..... | Fergus Falls. |
| Chas. E. Tisdall..... | Vancouver.... | Brit. Columbia. | R. H. Hartley..... | Monroe, Wash |
| Samuel B. Hinckley. | Riverside..... | California..... | D. M. Baldwin..... | Red Wing. |
| A. A. Stevenson..... | Montreal..... | Canada..... | E. W. Durant..... | Stillwater. |
| Henry M. Teller..... | Central City... | Colorado..... | T. Montgomery..... | St. Paul. |
| Edmund Tweedy..... | Danbury..... | Connecticut.... | Chas. Griswold..... | N. St. Paul. |
| Carlos D. Scott..... | Havana..... | Cuba..... | Geo. R. Metcalf..... | St. Paul. |
| Chas. C. King..... | Newark..... | Delaware..... | Henry R. Denny..... | St. Paul. |
| C. W. Hancock..... | Washington... | Dist. Columbia. | J. D. Markham..... | Rush City. |
| J. W. Laurie, M. P.. | ..... | England..... | T. Montgomery..... | St. Paul. |
| Angus Paterson..... | Madison..... | Florida..... | Wm. P. Roberts..... | Minneapolis. |
| John D. Harrell..... | Bainbridge.... | Georgia..... | Wm. B. Patton..... | Duluth. |
| Reese Pickering..... | Genesee..... | Idaho..... | Gustaf Widell..... | Mankato. |
| Wm. Johnston..... | Chicago..... | Illinois..... | A. T. Stebbins..... | Rochester. |
| O. W. Brownback.... | Pendleton..... | Indiana..... | Wm. S. Combs..... | St. Paul. |
| F. H. Nash..... | Fort Gibson... | Indian Territory | John M. Rowley..... | Rochester. |
| Oliver Fry..... | Dublin..... | Ireland..... | T. Montgomery..... | St. Paul. |
| John C. Fry..... | Larned..... | Kansas..... | Calvin L. Brown..... | Morris. |
| L. L. Schwartz..... | New Orleans.. | Louisiana..... | Chas. W. Nash..... | Minneapolis. |
| John B. Redman..... | Ellsworth..... | Maine..... | Henry R. Adams..... | Minneapolis. |
| Thos. W. Taylor..... | Winnipeg..... | Manitoba..... | H. C. Shepard..... | St. Paul. |
| Samuel B. Sexton, Jr. | Baltimore..... | Maryland..... | John H. Abbott..... | Minneapolis. |
| John Woodruff..... | Niles..... | Michigan..... | A. Brandenburg..... | Fergus Falls. |
| W. R. Montgomery.. | Cornersville... | Mississippi..... | Henry R. Wells..... | Preston. |
| Howard Watson..... | St. Louis..... | Missouri..... | W. A. McGonagle.... | Duluth. |
| Theo. Brantly..... | Helena..... | Montana..... | A. D. Countryman... | Appleton. |
| Alfred M. Oleson.... | Omaha..... | Nebraska..... | J. E. Finch..... | Hastings. |
| R. A. Bulmer..... | Virginia..... | Nevada..... | A. Marden..... | New Ulm. |
| Thos. Walker, M. D. | St. John..... | New Brunswick | Thos. Morris..... | Crookston. |
| A. S. Batchellor..... | Littleton..... | New Hampshire | Geo. R. Metcalf..... | St. Paul. |
| Edwin Venable..... | Long Branch.. | New Jersey..... | Dav. W. Knowlton... | Minneapolis. |
| Arthur Boyle..... | Santa Fe..... | New Mexico.... | Chas. G. Hinds..... | Shakopee. |
| A. J. Scott..... | Sydney..... | New S. Wales.. | H. M. Tusler..... | St. Paul. |
| John S. Denton..... | Jamaica..... | New York..... | Jacob A. Kiester..... | Blue Earth. |
| Thos. A. Peterkin.... | Westport..... | New Zealand... | E. F. Barrett..... | Le Sueur. |
| F. D. Winston..... | Windsor..... | North Carolina. | I. B. B. Sprague..... | St. Paul. |
| Wm. A. Bentley..... | Bismarck..... | North Dakota.. | Henry R. Wells..... | Preston. |
| Charles R. Barr..... | Digby..... | Nova Scotia.... | Jacob A. Kiester..... | Blue Earth. |
| Ralph R. Rickley.... | Columbus..... | Ohio..... | W. A. McGonagle.... | Duluth. |
| Wm. M. Anderson... | Enid..... | Oklahoma Ter.. | Enoch Stott..... | Winona. |
| G. L. Story..... | Portland..... | Oregon..... | Gid. S. Ives..... | St. Paul. |
| John D. Bell..... | Montague..... | P. Edw'd Island | A. T. Stebbins..... | Rochester. |
| John P. Noyes..... | Sweetsburg... | Quebec..... | S. S. Kilvington..... | Minneapolis. |
| J. C. Champlin..... | Block Island.. | Rhode Island.. | Henry R. Adams..... | Minneapolis. |
| ..... | ..... | Scotland..... | T. Montgomery..... | St. Paul. |
| Sam'l Henry Good... | ..... | South Australia | A. D. Countryman... | Appleton. |
| J. W. Ardrey..... | Fort Mill..... | South Carolina. | Irving Todd..... | Hastings. |
| O. C. Berg..... | Redfield..... | South Dakota.. | Henry R. Wells..... | Preston. |
| ..... | ..... | Tasmania..... | Wm. A. Elliott..... | Minneapolis. |
| M. R. Goans..... | Loudon..... | Tennessee..... | H. M. Tusler..... | St. Paul. |
| ..... | ..... | Texas..... | Jacob A. Kiester..... | Blue Earth. |
| P. L. Williams..... | Salt Lake City | Utah..... | Henry M. Tusler..... | St. Paul. |
| Edwin Wheelock..... | Cambridge..... | Vermont..... | Sam'l E. Adams..... | Minneapolis. |
| Dr. E. Hinchcliffe.... | Bendego..... | Victoria..... | Chas. N. Akers..... | St. Paul. |
| Wm. H. Pleasants.... | Hollins..... | Virginia..... | Edgar Nash..... | Minneapolis. |
| Joseph A. Kuhn..... | Pt. Townsend. | Washington.... | Thomas Morris..... | Crookston. |
| ..... | ..... | W. Australia... | W. A. McGonagle.... | Duluth. |
| John D. Baines..... | Charleston.... | West Virginia.. | Chas. L. West..... | Austin. |
| W. W. Perry..... | Madison..... | Wisconsin..... | Geo. H. Davis..... | Mankato. |

# GRAND LODGE CONSTITUTION.

## AS PUBLISHED IN THE MASONIC CODE OF 1900 AND AS AMENDED BY GRAND LODGE JAN. 21, 1904.

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## PREAMBLE.

WE, The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota, practicing the Ancient York Rite, in order to establish fraternal union, maintain order, insure tranquility, provide for and promote the general welfare of the Craft, and secure to the Fraternity within our jurisdiction the blessings of Masonic privileges, do ordain and establish this

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## CONSTITUTION.

### ARTICLE I.—OF MASONIC GOVERNMENT.

SECTION 1. The government of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons is reposed—

First—In Grand Lodges; and

Second—In subordinate or particular Lodges.

SEC. 2. A Grand Lodge is a body of Masons in whom is inalienably vested the government and superintendence of the Fraternity within its territorial jurisdiction, and is primarily composed of its Grand Officers, and the Masters and Wardens, or their proxies, of the subordinate Lodges under its jurisdiction. It may also enlarge or diminish its numbers, at pleasure, by a provision, or change of its Constitution.

SEC. 3. A subordinate Lodge consists of a Master, a Senior Warden, a Junior Warden, a Treasurer, a Secretary, a Senior Deacon, a Junior Deacon, and as many members as may be convenient, congregating and working by virtue of a charter or warrant held under the Grand Lodge having lawful jurisdiction over it, and at the place designated in its charter or by the Grand Lodge.

## ARTICLE II.—OF MASONIC LAWS.

SEC. 4. The actions of Freemasons in their Grand or subordinate Lodges, or in their individual character, is regulated and controlled—

First—By Ancient Landmarks.

Second—By written Constitutions.

Third—By General Regulations, and by Usages, Customs, Rules, Edicts, and Resolutions, having the force of Regulations.

SEC. 5. The Ancient Landmarks are those principles of Masonic government and polity which are among the parts of Masonic law, or rule of government, that may never be altered or disturbed, as, for instance, the universal language of Masons, and those peculiar marks of distinction by which we are separated from the profane, and by which we are enabled to prove ourselves as the "Sons of Light."

SEC. 6. Constitutions are those written compacts or laws adopted by Freemasons for the government of a Grand Lodge and its subordinate Lodges and their members, and intended to be permanent in their character.

SEC. 7. General Regulations, Usages, Customs, Rules, Edicts, and Resolutions are those Masonic rules of action adopted by competent authority for local or temporary purposes, admitting of change at convenience, and not embraced in Ancient Landmarks or Constitutions, and are frequently termed By-Laws.

SEC. 8. The following are enumerated from the Ancient Constitutions as having the force of Ancient Landmarks of the Fraternity, having been generally received and acknowledged by Masons as such.

First—That belief in the Supreme Being, "the Great Architect of the Universe," who will punish vice and reward virtue, is an indispensable prerequisite to admission to Masonry.

Second—That the moral law which inculcates charity and probity, industry and sobriety, and obedience to law and civil government, is the rule and guide of every Mason, and to which strict conformity is required.

Third—That obedience to Masonic law and authority being voluntarily assumed is of perpetual obligation.

Fourth—That the Rites and Ceremonies (which include the unwritten language) of the true system of the Ancient York Rite, and which constitute a part of the Body of Masonry, are immutable, and that it is not in the power of any man or body of men to make innovations therein.

Fifth—That contentions and lawsuits between brethren are contrary to the laws and regulations of Masonry.

Sixth—That charity is the right of a Mason, his widow and orphans, when poor and destitute, to demand, and the duty of his prosperous brother to bestow.

Seventh—That Masonic instruction is, like charity, a reciprocal right and duty of Masons.

Eighth—That to visit Masonically is an inherent right of Masons, but no visitor shall be received into a Lodge if any member present objects.

Ninth—That a candidate for Masonry must be a man, of mature age, free born, of good report, hale and sound, not deformed or dismembered, and no eunuch.

Tenth—That the Grand Master may make Masons at sight, and may grant a dispensation to a Lodge for the same purpose, but in all other cases a candidate must be proposed in open Lodge, at a stated meeting, and can only be accepted at a stated meeting following, by the scrutiny of a secret ballot, and an unanimous vote, and must pay a fixed price before admission.

Eleventh—That it is the duty of every Mason to be a contributing member of some Lodge.

Twelfth—That a Mason who is not a member of a Lodge is still subject to the disciplinary power of Masonry.

Thirteenth—That the Master and Wardens of every chartered Lodge are of right and inalienably representatives in and members of the Grand Lodge.

Fourteenth—That no one can be elected Master of a chartered Lodge (except at its first election) but a Master Mason who shall have served as a Warden.

Fifteenth—That every Mason must be tried by his peers; hence the Master cannot be tried by his Lodge.

Sixteenth—That no appeal to the Lodge can be taken from the decision of the Master, or the Warden occupying the chair in his absence.

Seventeenth—That Masonic intercourse with a clandestine, suspended or expelled Mason, is a breach of duty and an offense against Masonic law.

Eighteenth—That a restoration of the privileges of Masonry by the Grand Lodge does not restore to membership in a subordinate Lodge.

Nineteenth—That the failure of a Lodge to meet for one year is cause for the forfeiture of its charter.

Twentieth—That it is the duty as well as the right of every chartered Lodge to be represented in the Grand Lodge at its Communications.

Twenty-first—That a Grand Lodge has supreme and exclusive jurisdiction, within its territorial limits, over all matters of Ancient Craft Masonry.

Twenty-second—That no appeal lies from the decision of the Grand Master in the Chair, or the Deputy Grand Master or Grand Warden occupying the chair in his absence.

Twenty-third—That the office of Grand Master is always elective, and should be filled annually by the Grand Lodge.

Twenty-fourth—That a Grand Lodge composed of its officers and representatives must meet at least once in each year, to consult and act concerning the interests of the Fraternity in its jurisdiction.

Twenty-fifth—That all officers of Grand or subordinate Lodges must be Master Masons.

Twenty-sixth—That no subject of a sectarian or political character can be discussed in a Lodge, and any Mason proposing such a subject renders himself liable to the disciplinary action of the Lodge.

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## ARTICLE III.—OF GRAND LODGES.

SEC. 9. The powers and privileges of Grand Lodges are Executive, Legislative and Judicial.

The exercise of these powers and privileges is defined in particular Constitutions and General Regulations, which it has an inalienable right to frame and adopt at its convenience, and to amend, alter, add to, or repeal, at its pleasure, under the limitations therein imposed, and are final and conclusive upon all parties concerned, until altered or reversed by the Grand Lodge. But nothing can be adopted in derogation of the Ancient Landmarks; nor can any legislative act or Regulation be passed, affecting the interest of the whole Fraternity, except at a stated Annual Communication.

SEC. 10. All the executive powers of a Grand Lodge when not in session are reposed in its Grand Master.

SEC. 11. The legislative powers of a Grand Lodge extend to every case of legislation not delegated or reserved to subordinate Lodges.

SEC. 12. The judicial powers of a Grand Lodge are of two kinds—

First—Original, embracing all matters of controversy which may arise between any of the Lodges under its jurisdiction, or the members of different Lodges, and the enforcement of discipline upon its own members, and the Lodges under its jurisdiction, and upon individual Masons; *provided*, that this clause shall not be so construed as to deprive a Lodge of the right to enforce discipline upon any of its members, except the Master or Grand Master while in office.

Second—Appellate, embracing all matters of controversy and discipline, proper for Masonic investigation, arising in any Lodge, and over which it has not exercised original jurisdiction.

SEC. 13. All governmental powers, whether executive, legislative or judicial, not expressly delegated by the Grand Lodge, are inherent in and reserved to it as the supreme governing body.

## ARTICLE IV.—OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

SEC. 14. The powers and privileges of a subordinate or particular Lodge are such as are defined in its charter or warrant; and by the Constitution of the Grand Lodge granting the same; and the Ancient Landmarks and General Regulations; and are divided into—

First—Executive, in the direction and performance of its work under the control of its Master, and in all other matters in aid of the Master, who has the primary executive power of a Lodge.

Second—Legislative, embracing all matters relating to its internal concerns not in derogation of the Ancient Landmarks, the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge and its own by-laws.

Third—Judicial, embracing the exercise of discipline and settlement of controversies between and over all its members (except the Master) and over all Masons and non-affiliated brethren within its jurisdiction, subject to an appeal to the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 15. Lodges shall take precedence according to the seniority of their respective charters.

SEC. 16. A Lodge can only be organized—

First—By the dispensation of the Grand Master or Acting Grand Master.

Second—By the charter or warrant of the Grand Lodge having jurisdiction; and in either case only upon the application of not less than seven regular Master Masons.

SEC. 17. A lodge can only be dissolved—

First—By the act of the Grand Lodge, whereby its charter is forfeited.

Second—By a voluntary surrender of its charter; but no Lodge can surrender its charter, so long as seven regular Master Masons, including the present or a Past Master, or a present or a former Warden, are desirous of retaining it.

SEC. 18. The acts by which a charter may be forfeited are—

First—Contumacy to the authority of the Grand Master or Grand Lodge.

Second—Departure from the original plan of Masonry and Ancient Landmarks.

Third—Disobedience to the Grand Lodge Constitution and Laws.

Fourth—Ceasing to meet for one year.

The surrender or forfeiture of a charter when declared by the Grand Lodge, or the expiration of the term for which a dispensation has been issued (unless a charter or warrant is granted by the Grand Lodge), or the withdrawing of the same by the Grand Master, shall be conclusive upon the Lodge and its members, and carries with it all the property of the Lodge, which becomes the property of the Grand Lodge, and must, on demand, be surrendered by the last Mas-

ter, or whoever has it in custody, to the Grand Lodge or its authorized agent.

SEC. 19. No charter of a Lodge can be forfeited except upon charges regularly made in the Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication, of which due notice shall be given the Lodge, and an opportunity of being heard in defense; but it may be suspended (arrested) by the Grand Lodge, or Grand Master, or Acting Grand Master, at any time, upon proper cause shown, which suspension shall not extend beyond the next Annual Communication.

SEC. 20. A Lodge may not remove its place of meeting from the city, town or village named in its charter, nor from one place to another in the same city, town or village, except by a concurrent vote of two-thirds of the members present at a stated meeting, or at a special meeting to be appointed, for which special meeting a summons shall be issued stating its object, which summons must be served at least ten days previous to such meeting; and such removal from the city, town or village must receive the sanction of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master previous thereto.

SEC. 21. A Lodge has full power and authority to enact by-laws for its own government, conformable to its Grand Lodge Constitution and laws, and the principles of Masonry, and any by-law inconsistent therewith is absolutely void.

SEC. 22. A Lodge has power to make but five new brethren at the same time, without a dispensation of the Grand Master, nor shall the second or third degrees be conferred until the candidate has proved his proficiency in the preceding degree by a satisfactory examination in open Lodge, except by dispensation from the Grand Master.

SEC. 23. A Lodge may not initiate any person without due inquiry into his qualifications; nor shall any visitor be admitted without satisfactory proof that he is in good standing in his Lodge, or was in the last Lodge of which he was a member; nor shall any non-affiliated Mason be permitted to visit any one Lodge in this jurisdiction more than three times.

SEC. 24. The Master, Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary of subordinate Lodges must be elective; other offices may be filled as the by-laws of said Lodge may prescribe. All elective officers must be chosen annually by ballot and by a majority of votes. All appointed officers must be chosen immediately after the installation of the Master. All officers should, if practicable, be installed on or before the next stated meeting after they shall have been chosen.

SEC. 25. A Lodge may fill vacancies in office, except those of Master and Wardens (as their by-laws may prescribe), at any stated meeting, upon full notice to the members.

SEC. 26. Every member of a Lodge in good standing is entitled to one vote, and every voter is eligible to any office in the Lodge except that of Master. None but Master Masons can be members of a

Lodge, and no Master Mason shall become a member of more than one Lodge at the same time.

Every chartered Lodge is required to have its by-laws and all amendments thereto, when approved by the Grand Master, neatly written in a book or kept in some other suitable form, to be signed by its members as soon as possible after they become such. Signing the by-laws, however, is not a condition precedent to membership. When a Lodge confers the degree of Master Mason upon one who has petitioned for and been elected to receive the mysteries of Masonry therein (or has it conferred by another Lodge), or elects a Master Mason to membership who has duly petitioned therefor, such act of raising or election constitutes the petitioner a member of said Lodge from the date thereof.

SEC. 27. The ballot on petitions for the degrees or membership is strictly and inviolably secret, and to elect must be unanimous.

SEC. 28. No Lodge can receive, refer or act upon a petition for the degrees or membership, or ballot on same or for officers, or adopt any resolution affecting the by-laws of the Lodge, at any other than a stated meeting. Every Lodge should meet at least once in every month for the dispatch of business.

SEC. 29. No Lodge can, at a special meeting, alter or expunge any part of the proceedings of a stated one.

SEC. 30. In the absence of, vacancy in the office, or inability of the Master, the Senior and Junior Wardens will, in succession, succeed to his prerogatives and duties for all purposes. In the absence of all three of the above named officers, the Lodge may be opened by one of its Past Masters.

SEC. 31. No Lodge shall confer the degrees for a less sum than fifteen dollars, or upon credit, or receive a promissory note therefor in lieu of money; or distribute its funds among its members; or introduce ardent spirits within its Lodge room, or any room adjoining; or meet for Masonic labors, other than deeds of charity, on the Sabbath, or first day of the week.

SEC. 32. A Lodge under dispensation is but a temporary and inchoate body, and is not entitled to representation in the Grand Lodge, and those who work it do not forfeit their membership in any other Lodge while it so continues, but such membership is thereby suspended.

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## ARTICLE V.—OF PENALTIES.

SEC. 33. The penalties imposed by Masonic law are—

First—Reprimand, which may be done privately or in open Lodge, by the Master.

Second—Suspension, which is either limited or indefinite.

Third—Expulsion, which always implies a termination not only of his Masonic intercourse and connection with the body inflicting it, but from the Masonc Fraternity, unless an appeal be made.

SEC. 34. Suspension applies to Lodges as well as individuals, and when inflicted upon a Lodge it suspends all its members unless expressly excepted. Suspension and expulsion imply interdiction of all Masonic intercourse with delinquents while in force.

SEC. 35. Suspension is only inflicted when the offense is against some temporary regulation of the Fraternity; expulsion follows a gross violation of the moral law, or the fundamental principles of Masonry, or attempts against any part of the frame-work of its government. Neither shall be published to any but Masons, except by permission of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.

SEC. 36. A Lodge may pronounce sentence of indefinite suspension, or expulsion, which shall be final unless appealed from within six months of the knowledge of the sentence, and reversed or modified on such appeal by the Grand Lodge. But the Grand Lodge may, on application, after one year from the sentence, restore any one suspended or expelled by a Lodge or Grand Lodge, in its discretion.

SEC. 37. Arrears for one year's dues may subject a member to be stricken from the roll of his Lodge; and such fact shall be stated in the annual return, and the Lodge thereafter shall not be liable to the Grand Lodge for such dues, and the member shall thereupon become non-affiliated, but no act of suspension or expulsion shall be pronounced for non-payment of dues only.

SEC. 38. It being the duty of every Mason to belong to a Lodge, and contribute to its funds; therefore any Mason who does not contribute to the funds or belong to some Lodge, shall not be entitled to join in processions, or to receive assistance, or Masonic burial.

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## ARTICLE VI.—OF CHARITY.

SEC. 39. Every brother in good standing, and the wives, widows, and minor children of such, have a claim to charitable relief from the funds of the Grand Lodge, or any of its subordinates, upon presenting satisfactory evidence of their Masonic character or relations, and that they are in necessitous circumstances.

SEC. 40. When such claim shall be made upon the funds of the Grand Lodge when in session, it shall be referred to the Grand Stewards and Grand Treasurer, who shall report thereon to the Grand Lodge at the same session.

SEC. 41. When such claim shall be made in the recess, it shall be presented to the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Wardens, or the Grand Secretary, who shall select three brethren

Past Masters, Master, or Wardens of Lodges, who shall be a committee to examine and report thereon; and the Grand Treasurer shall pay any draft upon him for such relief made by them, and countersigned by the Grand officer appointing them, not exceeding fifty dollars for any one object, *provided*, that the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, which has been heretofore, or may hereafter be created, shall be a permanent trust fund, and no part of the principal thereof shall be appropriated or expended.

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## ARTICLE VII.—OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.

SEC. 42. The officers of a Grand Lodge are elected or appointed, and hold their offices for one year, or until their successors are chosen and installed.

SEC. 43. The elective officers of a Grand Lodge are—the Grand Master (whose style or title is Most Worshipful), Deputy Grand Master, Senior and Junior Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary (the title of all whom is Right Worshipful).

SEC. 44. The appointed officers of a Grand Lodge are—a Grand Chaplain, Senior and Junior Grand Deacons, Grand Marshal, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Sword Bearer, Senior and Junior Grand Stewards, Grand Pursuivant, and Grand Tyler (the title of all of whom is Worshipful).

SEC. 45. The elective officers of the Grand Lodge must be chosen at its Annual Communication, by ballot, and by a majority of votes. The appointed officers are selected by the Grand Master. It may have such additional officers as its necessities or objects require, to be provided for by a Regulation.

SEC. 46. The installation of the officers of the Grand Lodge must take place during the Annual Communication at which they are selected; and vacancies may be filled by temporary appointment from the Grand Master till the next annual election.

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## ARTICLE VIII.—DUTIES AND POWERS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

SEC. 47. The Grand Master has power within this jurisdiction—

First—To convene any Lodge; to preside therein; to inspect the proceedings, and require full conformity to Masonic law.

Second—To require the attendance of any Grand Officer in his visitations to Lodges, and information respecting the duties of his office.

Third—To make Masons at sight; and he may, by written dispensation, delegate this power to a Lodge.

Fourth—To convene the Grand Lodge in Special Communication, by giving twenty days' notice.

Fifth—To suspend a Lodge or brother until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, when he shall present the reason for such suspension in writing.

Sixth—To grant dispensations for new Lodges (when the Grand Lodge is not in session), or for a Lodge to change its place of meeting (in accordance with section 20), or for public processions or assemblies (except in cases of Masonic funerals which shall not require a dispensation); or for the election of Master or Wardens of Lodges.

Seventh—To exercise all such other powers as are warranted or required of him by the Ancient Regulations, or customs of the Craft; *provided always*, that he shall have no power to suspend the operation of any By-Law of this Grand Lodge.

The duties of the Grand Master are:

First—To preside at all Communications of the Grand Lodge.

Second—To appoint all officers and committees of the Grand Lodge not otherwise provided for.

Third—To lay before the Grand Lodge, on the first day of their Annual Communication, or as soon thereafter as possible, a written message or address, therein detailing an account of his official acts during the recess, the state and condition of Masonry in the jurisdiction, and recommending to the Grand Lodge such measures as he may deem expedient and necessary.

Fourth—To give the casting vote in the Grand Lodge whenever on any question there shall be an equal number of votes.

Fifth—To exercise a supervisory control over the Grand Officers, instruct them in their various duties, and see that the same are performed.

SEC. 48. The Deputy Grand Master's powers and duties are:

First—To attend the Communications of the Grand Lodge, and render the Grand Master such assistance as may be required of him.

Second—In case of the death or permanent removal from the jurisdiction of the Grand Master, he may exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of Grand Master until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

Third—In the temporary absence of the Grand Master from the jurisdiction, he may, with the consent of the Senior and Junior Grand Wardens, call a meeting of the Grand Lodge; and exercise such other powers and duties appertaining to the office of Grand Master as the interest of the Craft may in his judgment demand.

SEC. 49. The Grand Wardens shall assist the Grand Master in the Grand Lodge, attend him in the Grand Visitations when required, and discharge such other duties as appertain to their office. In the absence of the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master, the Senior Grand Warden shall preside; and in his absence the Junior Grand Warden shall preside.

SEC. 50. It shall be the duty of the Grand Treasurer—

First—To take charge of all the funds, property, securities, and vouchers of the Grand Lodge.

Second—To pay all orders duly drawn under the Regulations, or special directions of the Grand Lodge.

Third—To attend the Grand Lodge, and upon the Grand Master when required, with the books and all necessary documents relating to his office, and also when required, the meeting of any committee whose duty it may be to act in relation to the fiscal concerns of the Grand Lodge.

Fourth—To report annually to the Grand Lodge the amount of his receipts and expenditures, by items; from whom received, and to whom paid; and the amount of securities in his hand, for funds invested by the Trustees.

Fifth—To execute and file with the Grand Secretary an official bond, with sureties to be approved by the Trustees, conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties as Grand Treasurer.

Sixth—To pay and deliver at the expiration of his term, to his successor in office, or such person as shall be designated by the Grand Lodge, all moneys, securities, evidences of debt, books, writings, and property of the Grand Lodge under his control, making all proper assignments, when necessary.

SEC. 51. It shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary—

First—To record the proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

Second—To receive and keep a proper account of all moneys of the Grand Lodge, and pay over the same without delay to the Grand Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same.

Third—To keep a register in which to enter all charters or warrants, dispensations and certificates granted by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.

Fourth—To keep a register of all the Lodges and their members with a permanent number prefixed to each name, together with the age, occupation, residence, date of initiation, passing, raising, joining, restoration, withdrawal, strikng from the roll, suspenson, expulsion or death, reported in the annual returns.

Fifth—To receive, file, and safely keep all papers and documents of the Grand Lodge.

Sixth—To sign and certify all instruments of the Grand Lodge, and to have the custody of the seal of the Grand Lodge.

Seventh—To report annually to the Grand Lodge the amount of money received by him, by items, and the specific sources from which it was received, and also the Lodges that have neglected to render proper returns of their elections, members and dues; and such general information as to the state of the Lodges as may be proper for the information or action of the Grand Lodge.

Eighth—To conduct the correspondence of the Grand Lodge, under the direction of the Grand Master, in a Masonic manner.

Ninth—To attend, with all necessary writings under his control, at all Communications of the Grand Lodge, and also attend upon the Grand Master on Masonic business, when required.

Tenth—To transmit to the several Grand Lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge a list of the Grand Officers immediately after their installation.

SEC. 52. It shall be the duty of the Grand Chaplain to attend the Grand Lodge, and to perform the religious services.

SEC. 53. It shall be the duty of the Grand Deacons to assist within the body of the Grand Lodge in such duties as by usage appertain to their office.

SEC. 54. It shall be the duty of the Grand Marshal—

First—To proclaim the Grand Officers at their installation.

Second—To introduce the Representatives of other Grand Lodges and visiting brethren of distinction.

Third—To conduct the processions of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 55. It shall be the duty of the Grand Standard Bearer to carry the Grand Lodge Banner in processions and public ceremonies.

SEC. 56. It shall be the duty of the Grand Sword Bearer to carry the sword in processions and public ceremonies.

SEC. 57. It shall be the duty of the Grand Stewards to examine into all applications made for charity to the Grand Lodge, and to have immediate superintendence in the provisions to be made for festivals.

SEC. 58. It shall be the duty of the Grand Pursuivant to communicate with the Grand Tyler, and announce all applicants for admission, by their names and Masonic address.

SEC. 59. It shall be the duty of the Grand Tyler—

First—To guard the doors of the Grand Lodge on the outside; to report all persons claiming admission and to see that none enter unless duly authorized and properly clothed.

Second—To take charge of the Grand Lodge jewels, clothing and other property present, during the sessions.

Third—To carry summonses and perform all the customary services pertaining to his office.

SEC. 60. The Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Grand Pursuivant, and Grand Tyler, shall each receive such compensation for his services as the Grand Lodge shall direct.

SEC. 61. No amendment to this Constitution shall be made or have effect, until it shall have been proposed in the Grand Lodge, at its Annual Communication, and concurred in by two-thirds of the members present. Said amendment shall then be printed, with the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, and sent to all the Lodges under the jurisdiction; and if approved by two-thirds of the members at the next Annual Communication, it shall then be in full force and effect.

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# APPENDIX K.

*To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:*

Your committee on foreign correspondence has received and examined the following grand lodge proceedings:

## ALABAMA, 1902.

The eighty-second annual communication was held at Montgomery, Dec. 2d and 3d, M.·. W.·. R. M. Cunningham, Grand Master. Three hundred and five lodges represented; three hundred and eighty-five on the roll. Three past grand masters present.

Fourteen dispensations for new lodges; two charters restored. Membership thirteen thousand, four hundred, and ninety-four; gain seven hundred and six. Ministers of the gospel, nine hundred and two; gain twenty-four. Receipts $6,664.70.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a lengthy paper of thirty-eight pages, eight of which are devoted to a discussion of cosmogony and the remainder to matters of local interest, including sixty decisions. The following would hardly be considered good law outside of Alabama, although receiving the approval of their committee on masonic jurisprudence:

38. A brother has no right to object to a petition for initiation, passing, or raising from being received by the lodge.

Recognition of the grand lodges of Costa Rica, Valle de Mexico, and Ignacio Ramirez of Tamaulipas, was postponed; the revision of the code was submitted and approved

by the jurisprudence committee; ten charters were granted, two restored, and ten dispensations continued; the constitutional amendment relative to organization of new lodges was declared adopted, and those providing for a per capita tax of $1 for the home fund and recognizing the eligibility of candidates with artificial limbs failed to receive a two-thirds vote; the amendment for the establishment of a masonic home was ordered to be re-submitted, forty-five lodges not voting upon the proposition; the district lecturers were scored by resolution for failure to report, only two having responded; a set of working tools made from wood of the old lodge room of Mother Kilwinning Lodge, Scotland, was presented, receiving a vote of thanks; a standing committee was appointed on monument to Bro. J. M. Brundige, their late grand lecturer; an appropriation of $100 was made for a suitable testimonial to the retiring grand master; and $46.25, receipts from a strawberry festival, were received from a chapter O. E. S., and the accompanying resolutions ordered printed in the proceedings.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. W. Y. Titcomb, a lengthy document of three hundred and eleven pages, in which are found the following references to Minnesota:

> The address of the grand master (nine pages and a half) opened with becoming modesty, and at the outset submitted his five decisions, which we find no fault with, conformable, as they were, to the laws of his jurisdiction.
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> As ever, the grand secretary made an excellent report.
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> Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the correspondence committee, sets the pace as he sprints over the course of the proceedings of fifty-six grand jurisdictions, skimming as he goes the cream of each, and leaving all the "blue John" uncared for. He is conspicuously gifted in the art of separating the material from the immaterial. He has compressed, within the compass of ninety-one pages, a notice of all that is important in those proceedings, and has sandwiched therein brief, wide awake, judicious comment. (Oh that we were the possessor of a condenser like his.) Alabama, 1900, receives courteous and fraternal notice of nearly two pages; about half of it is devoted to this scribe. For his kindly reference to our own work we bow our respectful acknowledgments.

Under Texas we are glad to note that Bro. Todd concurs with Bro. Matthews in the opinion that the display of a United States flag is "entirely out of place in a masonic lodge."

We can but barely mention the tenth annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association, which commenced in the city of St. Paul, Jan. 21st, 1902. It must have been a grand occasion for the old masons assembled. To those brethren who are familiar with the history of masonry in the northwest it must have been exceedingly interesting.

As a rule the master should not entertain calls for the previous question, or motions to postpone indefinitely or to lay upon the table. There is a limit, however, even to masonic courtesy.

Upon the subject of conferring the past master's degree upon wardens elect he says:

If Bro. Todd will note the fact that, in the absence of the worshipful master, it is the duty of a warden present, but no one else, to adjourn the lodge, the custom may not seem absurd.

If a warden is not able to close his lodge, without first being obligated as a past master, then he is not fit for the position. The so-called degree is simply a portion of the ceremony pertaining to the installation of a master elect, prescribed by ancient usage, and to which the wardens have no more right than the deacons or the stewards.

Bro. Titcomb believes that the social feature of masonry is not sufficiently cultivated in many quarters; that the masonic home craze will furnish no inmates for the lunatic asylum; that lodge rooms should be used for none other than masonic purposes; that words of cheer and encouragement stimulate the correspondent to greater effort for improvement of his reports; that we had better herd by ourselves than take to our hearts the godless Grand Orient of France or any of her bosom friends; that when the restored brother comes unwelcomed into the lodge door, harmony flies out of the window; that it is better to deal with the liquor question at the ballot box than to legislate upon the subject; and that without charity free masonry would be no warmer than a stupendous iceberg floating in a sunless sea.

M.·. W.·. R. J. Redden, Sulligent, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. G. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. Y. Titcomb, Anniston, committee on foreign correspondence.

## ARIZONA, 1902.

The twenty-first annual communication was held at Phœnix, Nov. 11th, 12th, and 13th, M.·. W.·. J. J. Sweeney, Grand Master. Sixteen lodges represented; seventeen on the roll. Nine past grand masters present.

Membership ten hundred and twenty-three; gain eighty-four. Receipts $1,458.20.

The death of Bro. George Montague, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address contains nothing of general interest.

An appropriation of $100 was made to procure a suitable testimonial for Bro. M. W. Kales, grand treasurer during the past fifteen years, who declined re-election; an excellent address was delivered by Bro. C. D. Belden, the sixth and last, he being promoted to grand lecturer; subordinate lodges were prohibited from incorporating by a new regulation; the committee on correspondence was voted $100 for its report; the grand treasurer was authorized to procure bonds of a surety company, to be paid for out of the general fund; it was made the duty of the grand master to visit every lodge at least once during his term of office, with an allowance of $150 for expenses; suitable consecration vessels were ordered, at a cost not to exceed $50; the proposition to print the ritual in cipher was defeated by a vote of thirty-two to forty-one; the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized; the grand lecturer was allowed a per diem of $5 and expenses, one-half to be paid by the lodge visited and the other half by the grand lodge; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. C. D. Belden submitted his second report on correspondence, a very readable document, from which the following paragraphs are reproduced:

Thirty-two grand representatives were duly welcomed, among whom we see recorded the name of Arizona's accredited plenipotentiary, P. S. G. W. Bro. T. J. Lombard. We are fortunate because of the fact that Bro. Lombard does not pretend to look after the affairs of any other grand lodge, and we can have his undivided attention, but Colorado, England, Ireland, and Scotland are bunched together and stuffed into one man's pocket, so also with a combination of Alabama, Belgium, and Michigan, as against Mississippi, North and South Dakota. If there is duty attached to this office, or if there is honor conferred by holding the appointment, such a condition is unfair.

Grand Master Ives submits an annual address which is simply a business report. His decisions would all receive the sanction of our jurisdiction except one, which is supported by a section in their code permitting a lodge to exempt the secretary, chaplain, and tyler from the payment of dues.

The grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, delivered an instructive address on the theme Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, and it leads our thought, through each successive part in philosophical deduction, down to the conclusion.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota surely has a boss, *vide* the following:

> Your committee on jurisprudence, to whom was referred that portion of the address of the grand master relating to the resolution adopted by this grand lodge in 1901 (page forty-six), abolishing all exemptions of grand lodge dues, fraternally report that in the opinion of your committee said resolution was irregularly adopted, not having been referred to the committee on jurisprudence, as provided, and is therefore inoperative and void.
>
> Adopted.

And the boss was not very wide awake, having taken eleven years to see this infringement of their rights and powers, and even then they did not see it until some one else called their attention to it. The grand lodge quickly yielded to the crack of the whip, probably chuckling at the thought that they had had their own sweet will for so long a time.

The report on correspondence is again, and as usual, by W.·. Bro. Irving Todd. Each fact connected with our Arizona session of 1900 is noted. He relaxes from his method when he gets down the list as far as Virginia and grows quite chatty. But further on, and with West Virginia, he is actually breezy, and gives Bro. Atkinson an ob-

ject lesson which, by the way, we turn over to Bro. Roskruge for criticism.

The volume concludes with a fifty-page and very interesting report of the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota.

The allusion to grand representatives is also fraternally referred to Bro. Roskruge, who is accredited from the District of Columbia, Quebec, and Ohio.

Yes, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota has a boss, the grand master, and none other. His attention was called to the irregularity very soon after the proceedings were issued, hence the suggestion found in the address. The resolution in question was sprung during the closing hours of 1901 and declared null and void in 1902, one year instead of eleven. Our general regulations require that all proposed new legislation shall be referred to the committee on masonic jurisprudence, and they also exempt the secretary, chaplain, and tyler from payment of dues. The points established were that the matter was not so referred, and that no general regulation could be superseded by a mere resolution. An amendment must be in proper form, must be submitted to the jurisprudence committee, and receive a two-thirds vote of the members present. Probably not a dozen knew anything about the innovation until they read it in print.

M.·. W.·. F. M. Zuck, Holbrook, Grand Master; V.·. W.·. G. J. Roskruge, Tucson, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. F. Nichols, Wilcox, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

## ARKANSAS, 1902.

The sixty-first regular communication was held at Little Rock, Nov. 18th and 19th, M.·. W.·. H. H. Myers, Grand Master. Three hundred and seventy-two lodges represented; four hundred and forty-four on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Fifteen dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested and one restored. Membership twelve thousand,

four hundred, and sixteen; gain in two years ten hundred and thirty. Receipts for 1901 $8,978.85; for 1902 $8,274.55.

The death of Bro. R. J. Laughlin, past grand master, was announced; his portrait faces the title page.

The address is confined to local matters; Bro. G. A. Dannelly, their senior past grand master, was taken to the hall in an invalid chair, receiving a splendid ovation; $20,000 was reported as paid upon the temple debt, reducing it to $15,000; a brief address upon Truth and Citizenship was delivered by Bro. W. T. Hammock, grand orator; a committee of the whole was appointed to visit the school for the blind; seventeen charters and two dispensations were granted; the grand lodge declined to repeal or modify the prohibition legislation of 1900; the petition of a new lodge for continuance of its dispensation was granted; a touching address was delivered by their venerable past grand master above referred to, followed by an offertory of $143; the custodians of the work were allowed per diem and mileage at meetings called by their chairman; the grand master was authorized to issue special dispensations for the benefit of physically ineligible candidates for the degrees, after careful investigation and inquiry as to the extent of the disability; a collection of $39 was taken for the benefit of a brother in distress, and $23.32 for the widow of a past grand master; fraternal relations were resumed with the Grand Lodge of Washington; recognition of the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica and the Grand Orient of Egypt was deferred for further information; the salary of the grand secretary was raised to $1,200; Bro. George Thornburgh was requested to prepare a monitor to be adopted by the grand lodge; the grand master announced that he had taken advantage of that morning's legislation by issuing a dispensation to make a mason of a man with one arm, and it is not unfair to presume that it was adopted for his individual benefit; Bro. J. W. Taylor, General Grand High Priest, was welcomed as a visitor; the charter of a subordinate lodge was withdrawn, reason not stated; and thanks were extended to the retiring grand master at a much less expense than a jewel.

The next communication will be held in November, 1904.

M.·. W.·. J. T. Hicks, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. Fay Hempstead re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Little Rock.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1903.

The thirty-second annual communication was held at Vancouver, June 18th and 19th, M.·. W.·. E. E. Chipman, Grand Master. Thirty-one lodges represented; thirty-two on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership two thousand, four hundred, and seventy-three; gain one hundred and eighteen. Receipts $3,876.46.

Five decisions were reported, only one of general interest. The grand master held that a candidate who had lost his fore finger at the second joint was eligible for the degrees, but he was not sustained by the committee, who were of the opinion that only those should be admitted that are in a position to give and receive the essentials of masonic recognition. Our sympathies are with the latter, notwithstanding the numerous Minnesota rulings upon the subject.

The usual number of dispensations to attend divine service in regalia were granted, and one to wear regalia at a ball. As suggested before our brethren across the border would save considerable time and trouble by adopting a standing regulation covering such matters. Permission is rarely if ever refused, then why should the asking be made necessary? When it came to a candidate who had not lived a year in the province and another who wanted both the fellow craft and master's degrees in a single evening the grand master frankly declined, pleading constitutional limitations.

The grand lodge was welcomed by his worship, the mayor of the city; three charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; a number of additions to the library

were reported by the grand historian, and the appropriation was increased to $300; the revised constitution was considered by sections and adopted; the committee on grand master's address recommended that instead of compensating the district deputies for their services a grand lecturer should be appointed at an early date; and thanks were tendered the local lodges for their hospitality.

The report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. W. A. De Wolf-Smith, the seventh of a series of well-written papers. Of Minnesota he says:

> A very handsome volume contains the proceedings of this meeting, at which, however, the representative of British Columbia was not present. M. W. Bro. A. D. Countryman, grand master, presided, and delivered an able address. * * * Five decisions are reported, all of which are sound.
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> Bound with the proceedings is A Chronicle of the Semi-Centennial Observance of the formation of the M. W. Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota. The exercises were very attractive, and the addresses, particularly the historical sketch by W. Bro. G. R. Metcalf, were most interesting.
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> Bro. Irving Todd, in one of his masterly reports, reviews the proceedings of fifty-four grand lodges, among them British Columbia for 1902. Our transactions are carefully condensed, less than two pages sufficing for a recital of our doings. Although short, Bro. Todd's report is very interesting.

Bro. De Wolf-Smith is strongly opposed to ciphers, and congratulates Arizona in refusing to sanction them; is of the opinion that there is nothing to choose between the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico and the Gran Dieta, being composed of the same persons; that a brother should not be considered dishonest if he fails to return the money given him for relief; that if brethren, for any reason, wish to sever their lodge connection they should be permitted to go in peace; and that the mark degree should be part of the subordinate lodge work.

Under the head of Arkansas is found the following:

> Although well aware that it is the law in many jurisdictions, we fail to see any reason for preventing a brother from being a member of more than one lodge. In the oldest and largest jurisdiction in the

world it is not uncommon for a brother to belong to from anywhere from two to six lodges, and we have never heard of any trouble arising from the practice.

This refers to the United Grand Lodge of England, although the Grand Lodge of New York has a considerable larger membership. The conditions are so different over there, with no grand lodge registration, no lodge dues, that there is not a basis for comparison. Dual membership proved a failure in Minnesota, and was prohibited in 1880.

M.·. W.·. C. E. Sharp, Esquimalt, Grand Master; V.·. W.·. R. E. Brett, Victoria, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. A. De Wolf-Smith, New Westminster, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## CALIFORNIA, 1902.

The fifty-third annual communication was held at San Francisco, Oct. 14th to 17th, M.·. W.·. W. S. Wells, Grand Master. Two hundred and fifty-two lodges represented; two hundred and seventy-one on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-four thousand, seven hundred, and thirty-five; gain nineteen hundred and fifty-nine. Receipts $32,106,80.

The address is of little interest outside of the jurisdiction. Ten decisions were reported and approved by the committee on jurisprudence.

The annual reports of the boards of relief show that San Francisco expended $11,133.70; Los Angeles, $6,332.26; Oakland, $1,388; Sacramento, $1,120; Stockton, $1,600.30; and San Diego, $796.17. Six cases were from Minnesota at a cost of $512.25, of which $133.25 were refunded. Bro. G. F. Nolan was buried at Los Angeles and Bro. J. A. McKenzie at Oakland, both from Duluth.

The grand lodges of Western Australia, Costa Rica, Valle de Mexico, and Benito Juarez were recognized; the committee on revision of Anderson's Manual was granted

further time; an able and eloquent address was delivered by Bro. E. H. Hart, grand orator; the report of the home gives one hundred and six inmates, maintenance $24,539.80; charters were granted to the seven lodges under dispensation; two proposed consolidations of lodges were approved; an additional appropriation of $300 was made for the purchase of new "regalia;" the representative from Manila was given $150 towards his traveling expenses; a resolution of sympathy to Bro. E. B. Church, grand chaplain, absent through illness, was unanimously adopted; a Spanish Bible, printed in 1769, was presented by a brother; Anderson's Manual was purchased from the author for $1,500; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The usual able and interesting report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. W. A. Davies. Of Minnesota he says:

> The grand master appointed the committees and then delivered his address. With a brief but pleasant introduction he at once proceeded to report his official acts. But few decisions were reported, and all of them subject to and determined by the local law of the jurisdiction.
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> Bro. Thomas Montgomery presented his usual able and thorough report, in which he, in spirit, deposited his sprig of acacia over the last resting place of the dead grand secretaries, Bros. Parvin, Parmelee, Power, Isaacson, Baker, and Singleton, with his late friend and associate, the grand treasurer of his own kindred and brethren in Minnesota.
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> Bro. G. H. Davis, chairman, submitted a feeling report devoted to the memory of the brethren who passed to rest during the past year.
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> Bro. Irving Todd, chairman, directs the correspondence, and in the present report presents a review of sixty grand jurisdictions. His notice of California is of the fifty-first annual and the administration of Grand Master Patton. * * * He quotes from the address of the grand master, and concurs with him in all his rulings save the one on the waiver of concurrent jurisdiction.
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> Bro. Todd says "the grand orator, Bro. H. D. Dickinson, made an eloquent address," etc. The address was good, Bro. Todd, but the grand orator's name was W. Bro. Carroll Cook, and we note the error simply to correct it.

The error is not of our making, Bro. Davies. Our report says "an extemporaneous address was delivered by Bro.

Carroll Cook, grand orator," while you copied your own comment upon our grand orator's address of the preceding year.

M.·. W.·. O. S. Henderson, Stockton, Grand Master; V.·. W.·. George Johnson, San Francisco, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. A. Davies, San Francisco, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

## CANADA, 1903.

The forty-eighth annual communication was held at Toronto, July 15th and 16th, M.·. W.·. J. E. Harding, Grand Master. Three hundred and fifty-eight lodges represented; three hundred and seventy-three on the roll. Ten past grand masters present, our representative heading the list.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirty thousand, one hundred, and eighty-five; gain seventeen hundred and sixty-four. Receipts $26,724.61.

The death of Bro. J. J. Mason, the efficient grand secretary since 1874, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, the late grand secretary, and four honorary past grand masters.

One hundred and fifteen special dispensations were reported, of which sixteen were to attend divine service, seventeen to attend at homes, two to attend receptions, and one to attend a ball.

Of Scotch night at a local lodge the grand master says:

> I think I never fully appreciated the dignity of my office until I was introduced into the lodge, preceded by the director of ceremonies in full highland dress, and five pipers in full costume blowing for all they were worth.

The general fund was reported at $106,829.66, and the expenditures for benevolence at $11,880; ten warrants were issued and three dispensations continued; the widow of the late grand secretary was given a gratuity of one year's salary, $2,000, in lieu of an annual grant; a motion to reduce

the salary of the grand secretary to $1,500 was lost; and a special committee was appointed to revise the constitution.

Bro. Henry Robertson presented a brief report on foreign correspondence, mainly made up of extracts.

M.·. W.·. J. E. Harding, Lindsay, re-elected Grand Master; M.·. W.·. Hugh Murray, Hamilton, Grand Secretary; Bro. Henry Robertson, Collingwood, committee on foreign correspondence.

## COLORADO, 1903.

The forty-third annual communication was held at Denver, Sept. 15th and 16th, M.·. W.·. M. H. Dean, Grand Master. Ninety-nine lodges represented; one hundred and one on the roll. Twenty-three past grand masters present, our representative included.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership ten thousand and one; gain five hundred and sixty-nine. Receipts $8,870.60.

The deaths of Bro. H. P. H. Bromwell and Bro. R. W. Woodbury, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the two deceased past grand masters. There is also a group of their living past grand masters, twenty-six in all, enough to form a respectable lodge of their own.

The following were among the approved decisions:

1. Can a man having a club foot receive the degrees in masonry? No.

4. Is a party owning a building and leasing the same for a saloon eligible for the degrees, the said party having no interest in the business except as owner of the building? Yes.

The revised code was adopted and ordered to be printed; an address was delivered by Bro. C. F. Painter, good orator; an apology was received from Texas for the unintentional omission of Colorado from the list of contributors to the Galveston sufferers; the committee on the Washington

memorial reported that the volume had been printed, and would be sold for $3; the special committee upon register reported in favor of the card system, which was adopted; it was recommended that the lodges procure fire proof safes for the preservation of their records; the grand secretary was authorized to employ a stenographer at $50 per month; recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was deferred until next year; grand lodge officers were allowed their traveling expenses in future while on official business; three charters were granted, and one dispensation discontinued; the custodians of the work were authorized to procure suitable jewels and aprons for the grand lodge officers; a guarantee of $2,000 was given towards the publication of the late Bro. H. P. H. Bromwell's book entitled Restorations of Masonic Geometry and Symbolry; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. L. N. Greenleaf submitted rather a longer report on correspondence than usual, but we have read the whole of it with interest. Of our own jurisdiction he writes:

> This is the golden jubilee volume, and is profusely illustrated. The frontispiece is a portrait of Grand Master A. D. Countryman. There is a flashlight picture of the grand lodge at the golden jubilee, group pictures of the founders of the grand lodge, and portraits of the past grand masters. The newly elected officers are also in evidence in two group pictures, and Minnesota has no reason to be ashamed of her selection.
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> Bro. W. C. Masterman, grand orator, delivered a very able oration, touching largely upon the history of the past fifty years, the struggles of the pioneer masons, and the great work which masonry has accomplished and is destined yet to accomplish through the inculcation of its sublime principles.
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> The golden jubilee was celebrated on the evening of the first day of the session. Their great masonic hall, the most spacious in the northwest, was elaborately decorated. The honored names of the thirteen founders were displayed in tablets on the two columns, flanking either side of the grand east, over which there stood out "1853—Golden Jubilee—1903." The names of the past grand masters, inscribed on a white ground, were also displayed on either side of the boxes of the gallery, sweeping around the three sides of the hall. The programme was one of great interest, interspersed with music, with an address of welcome by the grand master, historical address by W.

Bro. G. R. Metcalf, and the closing address by M. W. Bro. G. H. Davis. The portraits and biographies of all their past grand masters appear in the golden jubilee appendix with a full account of the ceremonies, addresses, etc., as briefly noted by us.

Bro. Irving Todd furnishes the report on correspondence, and within the limits of eighty-one pages shows what can be done when his condenser is in good working order. Colorado for 1902 has a brief, yet appreciative review at his hands.

M.·. W.·. J. R. Killian, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. W. D. Todd re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. N. Greenleaf, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Denver.

## CONNECTICUT, 1903.

The one hundred and fifteenth annual communication was held at New Haven, Jan. 21st and 22d, M.·. W.·. A. C. Wheeler, Grand Master. One hundred and nine lodges represented; one hundred and ten on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership eighteen thousand, five hundred, and fourteen; gain seven hundred and eighty-four. Receipts $13,-951.50.

The deaths of Bro. J. W. Mix, past grand master, and Bro. W. R. Higby, grand trustee for twenty-four years, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, a grand trustee, and the two deceased brethren.

The address is a summary of the official acts of the past year.

The Grand Master of New Jersey was welcomed as a visitor; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Utah; the grand lodges of Costa Rica and Western Australia were recognized; and a jewel and apron were presented to the retiring grand master.

The grand secretary submitted the usual report on correspondence, a very readable effort. The following paragraphs are found under the head of Minnesota:

The grand lodge, we think, exercised a high prerogative, that of restoring a brother under the sentence of indefinite suspension after he was dead, although he had made the application previous to his death.

The grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, delivered an able oration; subject, Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic.

As usual we have the able report on correspondence by Bro. Irving Todd. Connecticut receives about two pages of notice, with no comments.

Bro. Barlow thinks that exclusive occupancy of lodge halls is all right in theory, but not practical in sparsely settled districts on account of expense; that a black ball cast for any reason save the unworthiness of the candidate is a stab in the dark, unprincipled and cowardly; that special dispensations should only be granted for the good of masonry, without money considerations; that a member who wilfully neglects to pay his lodge dues, when able, deserves suspension; and that a brother should not be refused examination because he has no printed documents to show his standing.

M.·. W.·. L. M. Woodford, Naugatuck, Grand Master; M.·. W.·. J. H. Barlow, Hartford, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## DELAWARE, 1903.

The ninety-seventh annual communication was held at Wilmington, Oct. 7th and 8th, M.·. W.·. H. J. Guthrie, Grand Master. Twenty-one lodges on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership twenty-five hundred and four; gain seventy-one. Receipts $1,655.35.

The portraits are of the grand master and grand secretary.

A number of grand officers from New Jersey and Pennsylvania were present as visitors; the centennial anniversary fund was reported at $607.50; excellent dinners were served by the grand tyler; the committee on centenary anniversary reported progress; a resolution of sympathy was

again extended to Bro. Daniel McClintock, past grand master; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The usual report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. L. H. Jackson, who compliments Minnesota as follows:

> The first page of the volume of proceedings presents a fine portrait of Bro. A. D. Countryman and two additional pages filled with the pictures of twenty-two officers of the grand lodge, a splendid body of men, whose bright, intelligent features fitly represent the tone and character of masonry in Minnesota. In another part of the volume is presented a flashlight picture of the entire grand lodge in celebration of its golden jubilee, and the portraits of many of its founders, together with twenty-two of its grand masters. As a jubilee volume it is beautiful and filled with good things, of which the craft of Minnesota may well feel proud.
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> From a beautiful, practical, and forcible oration by W. Bro. W. C. Masterman we excerpt the following, which may be helpful to many Delaware craftsmen: * * *
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> Bro. Irving Todd presented a brief but interesting report on correspondence, of eighty-one pages. Delaware for 1902 received one page of kind, fraternal notice.

M.·. W.·. C. H. Maull, Lewes, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. B. F. Bartram, Wilmington, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. H. Jackson, Wilmington, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1902.

At the semi-annual communication recognition of the grand lodges of Mexico, Costa Rica, and Italy were deferred; the grand secretary was instructed to notify other grand lodges that no persons of African descent were members of any of their constituent lodges, but belonged to some clandestine lodge in the district; an additional appropriation of $100 was made towards the Singleton monument; supplies were ordered for the proposed card register, at a cost not

to exceed $185; and the committees on grand lodge jewels and revision of the constitution reported progress.

The annual communication was held at Washington, Dec. 3d, M.·. W.·. Malcolm Seaton, Grand Master. The twenty-six lodges all represented. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership six thousand, seven hundred, and eleven; gain four hundred and fifty-four. Receipts $7,367.

The death of Bro. Joseph Hamacher, past grand lecturer, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

There is very little in the address to attract the attention of the general reader.

The earnings of the second masonic fair were reported at $55,518; the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica and the Grand Orient of Italy were recognized, and further time granted on the several grand lodges of Mexico and the Argentine Republic; the monument to Bro. W. R. Singleton was reported completed, at a cost of $1,557; the revised constitution was reported by the special committee; a bid for furnishing new jewels was accepted, the net cost being $450.80; and a communication in relation to a fair for the benefit of an Eastern Star home was referred to a special committee.

At the installation communication the Grand Master of Virginia was received with the grand honors; the library committee reported an increase of one hundred and fifty volumes, at a cost of $107.71; the salary of the librarian was increased to $200; the committee on card registration reported the purchase of the necessary outfit, and $300 were appropriated for clerical assistance; the committee on Eastern Star fair recommended that no official action be taken other than an appropriation of $300, which was adopted; the compensation of the grand lecturer was increased to $250; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Minnesota has a little over a page in Bro. G. W. Baird's well condensed report on foreign correspondence, in which are found the following:

The grand master laid the corner stone of the public library at Duluth, July 4th, 1901. The rains descended, but the crowd scattered not; since then the town has been called the "city of the unsalted sea."

The review, covering ninety-one pages, is by Bro. Irving Todd. He has very ably reported on fifty-seven grand lodges, giving the salient points in each, of which the District of Columbia is courteously remembered in one and a half pages.

M.·. W.·. G. H. Walker, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. A. W. Johnston re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. G. W. Baird, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Washington.

## FLORIDA, 1903.

The seventy-fourth annual communication was held at Jacksonville, Jan. 20th, 21st and 22d, M.·. W.·. James Carnell, Grand Master. One hundred and thirty-four lodges represented; one hundred and forty-four on the roll. Ten past grand masters present, our representative included.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand, nine hundred, and five; gain two hundred and eighty-two. Receipts $5,106.25.

The death of Bro. J. M. Hilliard, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of Bro. Enos Wasgate, past grand master.

Under the head of decisions the address very sensibly says:

I have rendered no new decisions, properly so called, during the past year, but have written a great number of letters of advice and direction, endeavoring to encourage worshipful masters to make their own decisions, "do their own thinking." In the majority of cases where masters of lodges have consulted me I have given them opinions rather than decisions, reminding them that it was their duty to rule and govern their own lodges.

The trustees reported the redemption of the remainder of their bonds, $4,800, leaving the new elevator as the only in-

debtedness; regrets were conveyed to a past grand master for his inability to be present; the resolution of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, denouncing the use of cipher rituals, was commended; an extemporaneous oration was delivered by Bro. H. S. Yerger, grand orator; a free will offering of $44.18 was presented to a brother; recognition of the Grand Lodge of Argentine was deferred; the grand secretary was instructed to present a complete set of the proceedings to their historical society; additional receipts of $294 as lodge dues were reported; the special committee reported a plan for establishing a home, with a per capita tax of fifty cents, which was adopted; the standing committee on installation reported the conferring of the past master's degree on thirty-five brethren; the requests for aid from the Anvil Masonic Club at Nome and the World's Fair Fraternal Building Association at St. Louis were denied; one charter was granted, one forfeited, and one dispensation continued; and a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master.

Bro. S. B. Wright presented his second report on foreign correspondence, a lengthy summary of the proceedings of the grand lodges with which they maintain fraternal relations. The following extracts are found under the head of Minnesota:

> Florida's representative was among the missing, perhaps because he is a Minneapolis man, the session being held at St. Paul.
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> The grand master's address is very much condensed and curtailed, both as to matter, manner, and subjects. He omits all attempts at spread eagleism, and starts in reporting his rulings, even leaving the mention of fraternal dead as minor matter to be filled in later. He scores the brethren for writing him asking broad questions regarding the work, which were of such a nature as to lay them liable to discipline. His decisions were all local, no new points being advanced. He refused a dispensation authorizing a lodge to receive and act upon a petition, the candidate not having resided in the jurisdiction the prescribed time, but with waiver of jurisdiction from the lodge at last place of residence. Strange ruling, and so contrary to the general practice.
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> The oration by Bro. Roberts, grand orator, on Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, printed in the appendix, is an excellent paper on the teachings and truths of that degree. We wish it could be and would be read by all masons.

The correspondence report by Bro. Irving Todd, covering ninety-one pages, is a very brief review of fifty-seven grand lodges. Some of the reviews are so exceedingly abbreviated as to give but a poor idea of the real work performed.

A resolution of our grand lodge, adopted in 1858, requires a residence of one year within the lodge jurisdiction before application can be made for the degrees, a wholesome restriction with which grand masters decline to interfere. Furthermore, when a profane removes from the jurisdiction of a lodge it has nothing to waive.

Official papers appear to be regarded by Bro. Wright somewhat from the standpoint of an Indian, who always takes the largest pair of boots in the case in order to get his money's worth, regardless of other considerations. If the omission of any important matter can be shown in our write-up of Florida for 1901, we are ready to be forgiven; he does not seem to have read anything else in the 1902 report.

Several interesting papers upon current masonic topics are given as a conclusion, which are well worth reading.

M.·. W.·. T. M. Puleston, Monticello, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. W. P. Webster, Jacksonville, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. B. Wright, De Land, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## GEORGIA, 1903.

The one hundred and seventeenth annual communication was held at Macon, Oct. 27th, 28th, and 29th, M.·. W.·. Max Meyerhardt, Grand Master. Four hundred and thirty-nine lodges represented; four hundred and forty-seven on the roll. Two past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership twenty-two thousand, eight hundred, and forty-one; gain seventeen hundred and three. Receipts $23,691.17.

The death of Bro. J. M. Mobley, past grand master, was announced.

The frontispiece is a facsimile of the deed of land for the masonic home.

But two of the twenty-eight decisions are of general interest, that a Roman Catholic is eligible to receive the degrees, and that under their prohibition legislation a lodge has no right to lease its building for saloon purposes.

Five pages are filled with the report of special dispensations granted; the corner stone of the masonic home was laid the first afternoon, with an appropriate address by Bro. W. A. Davis, past grand master; telegrams of sympathy were transmitted to the absent grand chaplain and to Bro. Porfioro Diaz, president of Mexico; a committee of five was appointed to escort home the remains of a past master, who died while in attendance at this session, the funeral expenses to be paid by the grand lodge; the usual entertainment was given by children from the industrial home, with a collection of $97.26 and an appropriation of $402.74; Akin's Manual was recognized as the standard authority, and not included in the repealing legislation of last year; an appropriation of $300 was made to procure oil portraits of two deceased past grand masters and the late grand secretary; the committee on credentials was reduced from fifty-five members to three; a collection of $40 was taken up for a brother who had lost his property in a cyclone; a letter from a past grand master now living in Texas was read and printed in the proceedings; the grand treasurer was instructed to pay off in two places to relieve the representatives and past masters of annoyance and suffering in securing their money; a formal resolution of thanks was voted to Bro. A. O. Bacon for his gift of one hundred acres of land to the home, and to the mayor of the city for engrossing the deed; the addresses of the grand wardens, prepared for the laying of the corner stone of the home, but not delivered, were ordered printed in the proceedings; an invitation to attend the state fair at half rates was accepted; fifty-five brethren were expelled for non-payment of dues, thirty-three for gross unmasonic conduct, and eighteen were reinstated; fifteen charters were

granted and one canceled; the grades of offenses were defined as unmasonic conduct and gross unmasonic conduct; master masons were authorized to wear their aprons as such in the lower degrees; an amendment was adopted imposing a fine of $10 upon lodge secretaries failing to transmit their returns on or before Oct. 15th; and the salary of the grand treasurer was raised to $900 and that of the grand secretary to $1,500 per annum.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. A. Q. Moody, a brief summary of the proceedings of fifty-four grand lodges. Of Minnesota he has this to say:

> A fine address on Masonry as a Progressive Science was delivered by Bro. W. C. Masterman, grand orator.
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> A condensed but interesting report of eighty-one pages, covering the proceedings of fifty-four grand lodges, is the work of Bro. Irving Todd. Nearly two pages are devoted to a summary of Georgia affairs for 1902. "A peculiar feature in this jurisdiction," he says, "is the large number of dispensations to confer degrees out of time and the unwieldiness of the standing committees." As to the last, Bro. Todd, you must not forget that *ex multo consilii venit sapientia.*

Consequently their committee on jurisprudence numbers sixty, counsel enough for a committee of the whole with wisdom to burn. Probably the chairman writes the report, his associates signifying an approval by signing their names. Otherwise it is hard to conceive how they ever do business. There is an old saying, Bro. Moody, which seems to fit the case better than your Latin: "Too many cooks spoil the broth."

M.·. W.·. Max Meyerhardt, Rome, Grand Master, and R.·. W.·. W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. A. Q. Moody, Boston, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## IDAHO, 1903.

The thirty-sixth annual communication was held at Boise, Sept. 8th, 9th, and 10th, M.·. W.·. D. F. Mason, Grand Master. Twenty-nine lodges represented; thirty-three on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership sixteen hundred and ninety-eight; gain one hundred and sixty-six. Receipts $6,125.10.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

Under the head of decisions the grand master dumped the contents of his letter book, of little interest except to the persons immediately concerned.

Thirteen pages of small type are filled with the financial reports of the grand secretary and treasurer, each a duplication of the other, rendering it difficult to determine which officer receives and disburses the several funds, or whether it is a sort of co-partnership arrangement to occupy valuable space in the proceedings. The same figures are much more satisfactorily given in the synopsis of lodge returns, and a general summary would be a great improvement over the petty details so laboriously presented.

The orphan fund was reported at $37,759.39, a remarkable showing for so small a jurisdiction; a reception and banquet was tendered the second evening by the local brethren; a subordinate lodge was scored by the jurisprudence committee for conferring the third degree upon nine candidates at one meeting, eight of whom immediately dimitted for the purpose of starting a new lodge; the use of liquors at masonic banquets was prohibited; the compensation of the grand lecturer was increased to $1,000; the applications of Costa Rica and Valle de Mexico for recognition were laid over until next year; a revision of their monitor was reported and ordered printed; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; and a stringent prohibition amendment to their by-laws was adopted.

The report on foreign correspondence was again presented by Bro. G. E. Knepper, Minnesota fraternally noticed. We quote as follows:

The volume of proceedings is a picture book. It contains full page pictures of all the grand masters, of the founders of the grand lodge, and a two page picture of the present grand officers. Under the picture of D. W. C. Dunwell is the following:

The last survivor of the grand lodge founders, St. Paul Lodge. Born in Pleasant Valley, Dutchess County, N. Y., Aug. 13th, 1817. Raised Mar. 20th, 1850, in Mercer Lodge No. 121 of Ohio. Now residing at Lewiston, Ida.

Yes, Bro. Dunwell lives four miles from Lewiston, on the banks of the beautiful Clearwater River. He has lived at Lewiston forty-one years, and is hale and hearty. A few days ago he bantered the Rev. J. D. McConkey, secretary of Nez Perce Lodge, to run a race, but our secretary politely declined.

The grand orator, W. C. Masterman, delivered a fine oration, and Bro. Irving Todd wrote a splendid review of the grand lodge proceedings. Idaho is kindly noticed, and the report on fraternal correspondence liberally quoted.

The golden jubilee needs a special report, but space is limited. The volume of proceedings devotes ninety-three pages to the interesting ceremonies. It is all fine reading matter, and was greatly enjoyed by your correspondent.

M.·. W.·. J. M. Cowen, Mountainhome, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. T. W. Randall, Boise, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. G. E. Knepper, Moscow; chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## ILLINOIS, 1903.

The sixty-fourth annual communication was held at Chicago, Oct. 6th, 7th and 8th, M.·. W.·. G. M. Moulton, Grand Master. Seven hundred and fifteen lodges represented; seven hundred and twenty-nine on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership sixty-six thousand, six hundred, and twenty-one; gain thirty-five hundred and eighty-seven. Receipts $40,472.50.

The deaths of Bro. H. P. H. Bromwell and Bro. D. M. Browning, past grand masters, and Bro. W. M. Egan, grand treasurer since 1880, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, the late grand treasurer, and seven past grand masters, among them being Bro. E. B. Ames, a prominent insurance agent of Minneapolis, who died in 1898. He was elected in 1852, being at the time of his death the dean of the survivors. The writer knew him well, but not as a mason.

The masonic home at Sullivan was reported as nearing completion, at a cost of $36,926, and an additional appropriation of $15,000 was made to cover the deficiency; the report of the correspondence committee on recognition of foreign grand lodges, submitted in 1901, was adopted without amendment; an able oration was delivered by Bro. J. B. McFatrich, grand orator; three charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; an appropriation of $16,000 was made to the orphans' home, and $5,000 to the masonic home for furnishing and maintenance; and memorial services were held for the three deceased past grand officers.

Fully one-half of the bulky volume is occupied by the masonic correspondence of Bro. Joseph Robbins, who writes easily and well. Five and a half pages are found under the head of Minnesota, from which we reproduce the following:

This golden jubilee volume of the Minnesota transactions, with its modest cover and wealth of contents, is richly illustrated.

Although the oration by Past Deputy Grand Master G. H. Davis was brilliant and adequate, the great feature of the jubilee programme was the historical address of W. Bro. G. R. Metcalf, the founder and first president of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota. It occupies eighty pages of the volume and admirably realizes its purpose.

We can conceive of no motive for asking question No. 4 unless Minnesota still retains the practice of indorsing a written report of the committee of inquiry upon the back of the petition, which in Illinois long ago gave way to the private verbal report to the master, the fact that the committee reported, only, going on the record, with no clue to the nature of the report itself.

Although Minnesota has no masonic home, we could cite conspicuous instances where she has put her belief in relief to practical ap-

plication; yet we venture to say that, although too near the pioneer period for her people to have outgrown its self-reliance, the sum of these recorded benefactions bear but an insignificant proportion to the gross amount of unrecorded aid which has been found necessary, and because necessary was forthcoming. At present the craft of Minnesota do not seem to feel the pinching necessity for a home, whatever may be their opinion about its desirability for the purpose of keeping up with the procession.

The report of the indefatigable grand secretary (Thomas Montgomery) is full of interesting matter.

An address by the grand orator, W. C. Masterman, was well received, as it deserved.

The report on correspondence (eighty-one pages) hammered on the anvil of Bro. Irving Todd to its customary symmetry and tempered to its usual fineness, notices the Illinois proceedings for 1902. Besides epitomizing with great thoroughness and marvelous condensation the proceedings Bro. Todd permits himself some extracts from the grand master's address. * * * He earns our acknowledgments by calling our report exhaustive, when he might have said exhausting, and transfers to his pages some paragraphs relative to his grand lodge.

Bro. Robbins is hardly correct as to his guess upon our fourth decision: evidently he did not attend school in Connecticut, where guessing is reduced to a science, as the writer knows from personal experience. The petition contains a statement of certain facts, over the signature of the applicant, and should be preserved as stated by the grand master. Whether the committee recommended his election or rejection has nothing to do with it whatever.

The conservative element of the craft believe that the Minnesota plan of dispensing relief is the most satisfactory that could be adopted in this jurisdiction, at a mere fraction of the cost of erecting and maintaining a home.

M.·. W.·. W. B. Wright, Effingham, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. Joseph Robbins, Quincy, committee on masonic correspondence.

## INDIANA, 1903.

The eighty-second annual meeting was held at Indianapolis, May 26th and 27th, M.·. W.·. J. W. Dunbar, Grand Master. Five hundred and nine lodges represented; five hundred and ten on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present, including our representative.

Eight dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested. Membership thirty-seven thousand, three hundred, and eighteen; gain two thousand, two hundred, and eleven. Receipts $25,589.85.

The death of Bro. W. H. Smythe, past grand secretary, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

A considerable portion of the address was devoted to a discussion of rituals, the matter being referred to a special committee which made no report.

Nine decisions were reported, the following being the last:

> A person can petition for membership twenty-eight days previous to his twenty-first birthday.

If the acts of a minor are lawful in Indiana, why this time restriction?

Two thousand copies of the new code were ordered printed; seven charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; a special committee was appointed to consider plans for rebuilding the masonic temple, which cost the grand lodge so dearly and has outlived its usefulness; the invitation to contribute towards the fraternity building at the St. Louis exposition was respectfully declined; electric fans were ordered installed in the grand lodge hall; the arrested lodge charter was revoked; a committee was appointed to formulate plans for the regular inspection of all subordinate lodges, and report next year; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master and four more ordered for brethren who have never received them, the expense

in future to be borne by the grand lodge instead of the officers; a claim of the deceased grand secretary was deferred a year; and the communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee in relation to cipher rituals was received and placed on file.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. S. S. Johnson, who was chairman of the committee in 1889, the date of our first report. It is styled a review, and a very brief one at that. Minnesota has a page, closing with the following:

> The oration was one of the most pleasing incidents of this meeting. The occasion, the fiftieth anniversary, gave the orator a theme and right well he improved the opportunity, but, as in many other cases, we do not have the room to give all the good things spoken at these meetings. Full histories of the grand masters with pictures of each are given, and exercises closed by singing of doxology.

M.·. W.·. W. E. English, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. C. W. Prather re-elected Grand Secretary, both of Indianapolis; Bro. Daniel McDonald, Plymouth, chairman of the committee on fraternal correspondence.

## INDIAN TERRITORY, 1902.

The twenty-ninth annual communication was held at South McAlester, Aug 14th and 15th, M.·. W.·. H. M. Furman, Grand Master. One hundred lodges represented; one hundred and four on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand, five hundred, and forty-nine; gain five hundred and twenty-five. Receipts $6,338.50.

The address is a comprehensive showing of local affairs, with no new points in the eleven decisions reported.

The delay of six months in getting out the proceedings is explained by the grand secretary. An irresponsible firm secured the contract at one-third off, failing before the work was completed, and it had to be sent to Dallas to be finished. The attempt to save a few dollars proved mistaken economy.

Twenty-five per cent of the gross receipts were appropriated annually to the home fund, now amounting to $10,445.17, and the grand master also donated $267.50, his expenses as financial agent for the past year; a lengthy address was delivered by Bro. H. W. Fielding, grand orator; and seven charters were granted and one dispensation continued.

Bro. Eugene Hamilton was the writer of the report on foreign correspondence, a creditable first effort. A page is devoted to Minnesota, nearly one-half being an extract from the oration of Bro. W. P. Roberts.

M.·. W.·. R. J. Allen, Duncan, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. J. S. Murrow, Atoka, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. C. Humphrey, South McAlester, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

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The thirtieth annual communication was held at Tishomingo, Aug. 13th and 14th, M.·. W.·. R. J. Allen, Grand Master. Ninety-two lodges represented; one hundred and eleven on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Twelve dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand, nine hundred, and ninety-four; gain four hundred and forty-five. Receipts $6,798.60.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the correspondent.

Eighteen answers to questions are reported under the head of decisions, none of them worth printing; the grand lecturer and custodians were ordered not to confer degrees upon actual candidates at the annual schools of instruction; thirteen charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; and the address of Bro. D. H. Lindbaugh, grand orator, was printed in the proceedings, although not delivered by reason of illness.

A brief report on correspondence was submitted by Bro. T. C. Humphrey, a past grand master of Arkansas, from which we quote as follows:

Bro. W. C. Masterman, the grand orator, delivered a scholarly address.

The printed proceedings are ornamented with a group of pictures covering two pages, twenty-two in all. They are the grand officers, and present a fine looking body of masons.

In the golden jubilee exercises W. Bro. G. R. Metcalf delivered the historical address, reviewing the past fifty years of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Irving Todd wrote the report for correspondence committee. He, the grand secretary and the historian constitute the committee. The portraits show Bros. Montgomery and Todd to have more whiskers than any others in the group.

We read in the Book of the Law "neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard," which does not apply to Bro. Humphrey, who had none when his picture was taken.

A memorial page is inserted for Bro. R. H. Gove, their late representative near our grand lodge.

M.·. W.·. P. D. Brewer, South McAlester, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. J. S. Murrow, Atoka, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. C. Humphrey, South McAlester, committee on correspondence.

## IOWA, 1903.

The sixtieth annual communication was held at Waterloo, June 2d, 3d, and 4th, M.·. W.·. W. S. Gardner, Grand Master. Three hundred and seventy-five lodges represented; five hundred and three on the roll. Eight past grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges; two charters surrendered. Membership thirty-three thousand, one hundred, and eighty-one; gain fourteen hundred and eighty-three. Receipts $28,709.20.

The death of Bro. A. C. Abbott, past grand master, was announced.

The address is a business-like review of the jurisdiction during the past year, with no decisions reported. The many questions asked seemed to have been answered by referring to the code.

A large number of valuable additions to the library were reported by the grand librarian; a committee of one was authorized to ascertain the correct height of the pillars at the entrance of the porch of King Solomon's Temple; charters were granted the two lodges under dispensation; fraternal greetings were exchanged with Nebraska and Pennsylvania by telegraph; several amendments to the code were adopted; last year's appropriation of $2,000 for card registry was rescinded; and thanks were extended to the local brethren and citizens for their many kindnesses.

Bro. J. E. Morcombe, in his second report on fraternal correspondence, writes of Minnesota as follows:

> A very handsome portrait of Grand Master A. D. Countryman opens the picture gallery with which this volume is adorned. It is especially handsome in make-up and interesting in contents, the occasion being the golden jubilee of the grand lodge.
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> According to this ruling only Jews and Christians are eligible to the fraternity in Minnesota. Devotees of other religious systems, howsoever conscientious, upright, and moral, and possessing all faith in the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, would be deprived of its benefits. Of course such a person is not likely to apply, but the claim of universality in masonry would go for naught should such a ruling be given practical effect.
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> That portion of the volume devoted to the golden jubilee celebration is illustrated with many portraits of past grand masters, and the orations and tributes have great historical value.
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> Bro. Irving Todd's report on correspondence is compressed into eighty pages, but nothing essential is neglected. Iowa receives excellent treatment.

Under the head of Alabama he says:

> But after all too much sympathy is wasted over the black-balled material. It is true that excellent men are sometimes excluded from the fraternity, such rejections being the result of mean and unworthy motives. But this can only be stated as a general proposition, and as such deplored. To condemn or harshly criticise in the individual case is to introduce into the lodge an element of discord. Heart-burnings and revenges may and do persist for years as the result of hints and innuendoes directed against brothers for supposed use of the black ball. Better by far accept the result of that secret vote in silent loyalty, whatever your regret, than to wound the feelings or offend even

the prejudices of a brother. There is too much tenderness for the profane, which is exhibited in a manner obnoxious to one with whom we hold fraternal relation. In some cases, also, there is too little rather than too much use of the black ball, and the ambition of some lodges seems to be for numbers rather than a high standard of membership. The black ball is preferable to the boom method of lengthening the roster, and if unwise enthusiasm is checked by an occasional rejection it is wholesome discipline.

M.·. W.·. C. C. Clark, Burlington, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. N. R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. E. Morcombe, Cedar Rapids, committee on fraternal correspondence.

## KANSAS, 1903.

The forty-seventh annual communication was held at Wichita, Feb. 18th and 19th, M.·. W.·. T. E. Dewey, Grand Master. Two hundred and sixty-seven lodges represented; Three hundred and sixty on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested; one consolidation. Membership twenty-three thousand, five hundred, and sixty-seven; gain eleven hundred and seventy-nine. Receipts $25,333.

The deaths of Bro. A. M. Callaham, past grand master, and Bro. A. H. Ellis, junior grand warden, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and eight past grand masters. There are also cuts of the jewels, rod tips, and consecration vessels.

The address, though lengthy, is an able presentation of the subjects of current interest in that jurisdiction, with considerable space devoted to obituaries, liquor selling, reimbursement in charity, the Wisconsin proposition, the masonic home, and the library. An index of the latter has been begun upon the same plan as their card register, and if completed on those lines it will be the most elaborate one in the country.

A lodge of sorrow was held the first afternoon, with the memorial portion of the address, a thanatopsis by the grand

orator, and the report of the committee on necrology; a visit was paid to the masonic home; an entertainment was given by the children of the home, under the direction of the superintendent and matron; a masterly oration was delivered by Bro. F. S. Blayney, grand orator; the report of the home shows forty-seven inmates, maintenance $8,232.28; the Grand Lodge of Ignacio Ramisez was refused recognition, and the applications from Porto Rico and Egypt were referred back to the committee on correspondence for further investigation; the library received an appropriation of $1,000 to continue the cataloguing, $500 for binding volume eleven of their proceedings, and $200 for the purchase of books; a number of amendments were made to the standing regulations, prohibiting membership to liquor sellers and the use of ciphers, concerning the granting of dimissions and special dispensations, and readjusting the salaries of grand lodge officers and chairmen of standing committees upon a more liberal basis; two charters were granted and one dispensation continued; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; and a special committee was appointed upon revision of ritual.

Bro. W. M. Shaver submitted his second report on correspondence, three hundred pages of well-written and selected matter. From the five allotted to Minnesota is reproduced the following:

> The grand master, M.·. W.·. G. S. Ives, of St. Peter, a photogravure of whom adorns the proceedings, interestingly reported his acts in a concisely written business address. No attempt whatever was made to present any flowers of oratory.
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> The grand secretary, R.·. W.·. Thomas Montgomery, concisely reported the detailed work of his office. From the following we gather that he received master's wages while traveling in foreign countries during the year. * * *
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> The grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, presented a very practical and helpful oration on the theme, Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic. We would like to emphasize the truth of the importance of the entered apprentice degree set forth in this conclusion. * * * In our judgment this was error. However much our sympathy and brotherly sentiment may be in favor of such action, the fact remains that at the time of the death of this brother he was a suspended mason, and death irrevocably so fixed his status.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee on correspondence, presents the customary review, an interesting compendium of the transactions of the masonic world. Kansas for 1901 is fraternally considered, the salient points of our transactions being noted.

M.·. W.·. Bester G. Brown, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. A. K. Wilson re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Shaver, chairman of the committee on correspondence; all of Topeka.

## KENTUCKY, 1903.

The one hundred and third annual communication was held at Louisville, Oct. 20th, 21st, and 22d, M.·. W.·. J. W. Landrum, Grand Master. Four hundred and sixty-eight lodges represented; four hundred and seventy-six on the roll. Twenty-two past grand masters present.

Eight dispensations for new lodges; three charters arrested, and one surrendered. Membership twenty-three thousand, five hundred, and forty-seven; gain seventeen hundred and twenty-seven. Receipts $23,929.80.

The death of Bro. J. W. Staton, past grand master and chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, was announced. He was the best known mason in that jurisdiction, and the loss is sincerely mourned thoughout the masonic world.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The first two of the six decisions were not approved. The following is the only one of general interest:

4. A lodge cannot reconsider its action after admitting a brother to membership. If it appears that a mistake has been made in admitting him, charges must be preferred and trial had before his standing can be affected.

The grand secretary reported a communication from the Grand Lodge of Texas in relation to an invasion of its territory by the Grand Lodge of the Federal District of Mexico, which is respectfully referred to those jurisdictions which have been falling over themselves in their haste to recognize these mushroom organizations in our neighboring republic.

Thanks were returned to a masonic furnishing house for its gift of flags; the building committee reported that the cost of The Masonic (masonic what?) was $239,946.94, exclusive of the $26,250 paid for the lot; the report of the old masons' home shows eight inmates and nearly $4,500 expenses; the managers of the widows and orphans' home were commended for fidelity to their trust; two constitutional amendments referring to restoration from suspension were adopted; a committee was appointed to secure the Staton library, one of the most valuable collections of masonic proceedings in the country; the formation of a masonic club in the new building was approved; it was ordered that the theatre be closed on Sundays, except for religious services; twelve charters were granted and two dispensations continued; and a jewel was presented the retiring grand master.

The new masonic temple was dedicated the first evening with appropriate exercises, including a valuable historical address by Bro. B. G. Witt, past grand master.

Did it ever occur to our blue grass brethren that the omission of two hundred pages of names from the printed proceedings would annually save very much more than any of their proposed methods of economy?

The abstract of grand lodge proceedings is continued as an appendix, bringing them down to 1873. It is hardly more than a chronological index, however.

There was no report on foreign correspondence, owing to the death of Bro. Staton.

M.·. W.·. O. D. Thomas, Lebanon, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. H. B. Grant, Louisville, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. W. Clarke, Owensboro, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## LOUISIANA, 1903.

The ninety-first annual communication was held at New Orleans, Feb. 2d, 3d, and 4th, M.·. W.·. R. R. Reid, Grand Master. Ninety-five lodges represented; one hundred and forty-four on the roll. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership seven thousand, two hundred, and sixty-four; gain nine hundred and three. Receipts $14,021.83.

But one decision was reported, that the failure of a duly elected warden to be present at the appointed time for installation did not create a vacancy in that office. The grand master also held that artificial limbs do not qualify a candidate for initiation.

The directors of the temple reported the retirement of $15,100 in bonds, with $19,000 still outstanding; a resolution in appreciation of the valuable services of Bro. Richard Lambert as secretary of Louisiana Relief Lodge No. 1 for more than thirty years was unanimously adopted by a rising vote; a resolution from an eastern star chapter tendering its assistance in the erection of a masonic home was spread upon the minutes; seven charters were granted and two dispensations continued; the levying of a per capita tax of $1 for the proposed home was referred to the constituent lodges for their approval, together with the matter of per diem and mileage at future sessions of the grand lodge; amendments to the constitution substituting the committee on work for the grand lecturer were laid over until next year; a uniform work was authorized to be prepared and submitted to the grand officers for approval; a committee on transportation was appointed to secure reduced rates on the railroads; and a resolution of sympathy was voted to Bro. S. M. Todd, their senior past grand master, who was unable to be present by reason of increasing infirmities.

The report of Bro. H. C. Duncan on foreign correspondence is a carefully prepared document. He agrees with the decision of Bro. G. S. Ives as to the status of a former exempt member after restoration, and says that Bro. W. P. Roberts, grand orator, "delivered a timely and eloquent lecture," from which he reproduces over two pages of extracts.

Under the head of Costa Rica is given an interesting correspondence with the Supreme Council of Central America, its principal objection to the formation of the new grand

lodge apparently being the alleged failure of the four original lodges to pay back dues to the governing body before severing relations. Of the justice of this claim of course we have no knowledge. It is to be feared, however, that masonry in these states is about on a par with Mexico, and recognition should be sparingly granted, if at all.

Under the head of Florida and Mississippi the practice of styling grand chaplains as right reverend and most reverend is deprecated as titles pertaining solely to bishops and archbishops. In our opinion none but masonic prefixes should be found in masonic proceedings, with the entire omission of Rev., Dr., etc. Our good brother has both in the list of grand officers present, but only one on the cover.

M.·. W.·. R. R. Reid, Amite City, Grand Master, and R.·. W.·. Richard Lambert, New Orleans, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. H. C. Duncan, Alexandria, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## MAINE, 1903.

The eighty-fourth annual communication was held at Portland, May 5th, 6th, and 7th, M.·. W.·. A. S. Kimball, Grand Master. One hundred and ninety-one lodges represented; one hundred and ninety-eight on the roll. Ten past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership twenty-three thousand, nine hundred, and forty; gain seven hundred and sixteen. Receipts $7,729.21.

The deaths of Bro. E. P. Burnham and Bro. J. H. Drummond, past grand masters, were announced.

The grand master decided that a reasonable sum for music at an installation, if furnished outside of its own membership, could be paid from lodge funds.

The report of the special committee on ciphers was accepted, but the standing regulation prohibiting their use was not adopted; portraits and biographical sketches of the past grand masters were ordered published in the proceedings from year to year, as the finances allow; recognition of

the Grand Orient of the Argentine Republic was deferred; the monument to Bro. J. H. Drummond was unveiled and consecrated the second afternoon, with a memorial address by Bro. M. F. King; a reprint of the third volume of their proceedings was ordered; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the matter of recognition of the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was continued another year; nine lodge histories were reported as received during the year; an appropriation was made for the purchase of Bro. Drummond's masonic library; and a 33 degree charm was presented to the grand master elect by his local lodge.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. A. E. Chase, the only surviving member of the committee. It is a highly creditable first effort. Minnesota is given five pages, largely devoted to extracts from the biographies of two of our past grand masters who were natives of Maine.

Of the oration and chronicle at our semi-centennial he says:

> We would like to quote therefrom, but quotations would fail to inform the reader of the good things said and done, and especially of the historical address, which must always remain a source of information to the masons wherever dispersed.

M.·. W.·. W. J. Burnham, Lewiston, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. Stephen Berry, Portland, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. E. Chase, Portland, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## MANITOBA, 1903.

The twenty-eighth annual communication was held at Winnipeg, June 10th and 11th, M.·. W.·. R. H. Myers, Grand Master. Fifty-four lodges represented; seventy on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Six dispensations for new lodges. Membership three thousand, eight hundred, and eleven; gain three hundred and twenty-five. Receipts $3,959.80.

The grand master reported nineteen dispensations to attend divine service and three to confer degrees within prescribed time, but drew the line upon applications to wear regalia at public dances and entertainments. There were no decisions.

Twelve brethren received the rank of past district deputy grand master; five charters were granted and four dispensations continued; the committee on monument to Bro. J. D. O'Meara reported its completion at a cost of $450, with $100 paid for an oil painting, and a balance of $61.12; several constitutional amendments were adopted, the most important relating to the board of general purposes; and a suitable testimonial was voted the retiring grand master.

M.·. W.·. E. A. Braithwaite, Edmonton, Grand Master; M.·. W.·. J. A. Ovas, Winnipeg, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## MARYLAND, 1902.

The one hundred and sixteenth annual communication was held at Baltimore, Nov. 18th and 19th, M.·. W.·. T. J. Shryock, Grand Master. One hundred and one lodges represented; one hundred and four on the roll. One past grand master present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership nine thousand, one hundred, and twenty-two; gain eight hundred and forty-four. Receipts $41,797.60.

The deaths of Bro. L. R. Keizer, senior grand warden, Bro. W. H. Shryock, past grand treasurer, and Bro. G. L. McCahan, past general grand high priest, were announced.

The portraits are of the two latter distinguished craftsmen.

Past masters of the Grand Lodge of Egypt were made honorary members of the grand lodge for their fraternal reception and hospitable entertainment of the grand master during his recent visit to that country; a resolution of congratulations, accompanied by a golden dish, was tendered to Bro. E. T. Schultz, the veteran correspondent, detained at home by the celebration of his golden wedding; a charter

was granted to the lodge under dispensation, and a forfeited charter restored; the special committee reported that the other grand bodies would meet immediately after the annual sessions of the grand lodge; and the grand secretary was re-elected for the fortieth time by a rising vote.

Bro. E. T. Schultz sent in another of his carefully prepared reports on foreign correspondence, with two pages allotted to Minnesota. He says:

> The grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, delivered an oration entitled Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, a most interesting paper, from which we would like to quote if we had the space.
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> The report on correspondence (ninety-one pages) was as usual presented by Bro. Irving Todd. * * * Bro. Todd gives one page notice to our 1900 proceedings, in which he necessarily briefly notices our annual, semi-annual, and special communications, and gives several extracts from the report of your committee, but without comment.

His views as a ritualist are thus expressed under the head of California:

> We hold that it is impossible to confer the degrees upon one physically unable to comply literally with the requirements of said degrees. The degrees may be *communicated* to such an one, but it is impossible to *confer* them.

In Minnesota the degrees are never communicated, but must always be conferred.—*Decision of 1887, p. 27.*

Under Idaho the mystic shrine is referred to as follows:

> While we suppose there are but few members of that organization who would pretend to say that it is masonic in character, yet we do know that the profane are led to believe that it is not only masonic, but that it is the *ne plus ultra* of masonry. We referred a few years since to a person who told us that he was anxious to get into the shrine, and wished to know if it was absolutely necessary that he should take all the degrees of lodge, chapter, and commandery in order to get there.

The following interesting item of history is found under Utah:

Yes, Maryland has the oldest grand secretary in continuous service, and the oldest living past grand master, Dr. C. H. Ohr, who has just celebrated his ninety-second birthday, and was elected to the grand east in 1849, again in 1851 and 1852.

Bro. Schultz might have added that the present grand master was first elected in 1885, and that there are but two past grand masters now living in that jurisdiction. It has had but twenty-nine in one hundred and fifteen years.

M.·. W.·. T. J. Shryock, Grand Master, and R.·. W.·. J. H. Medairy, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. E. T. Schultz, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Baltimore.

## MASSACHUSETTS, 1902.

The proceedings at the March quarterly consist of the report of a special committee, appointed to consider the petition of thirty-two past masters (cerneaus) to amend the miscellaneous regulations defining what organizations the grand lodge admits as regular and duly constituted masonic bodies. It is an interesting and carefully prepared paper, covering the entire ground in a nonpartisan manner, the three members being in no way connected with any Scottish rite. The recommendation that the petitioners have leave to withdraw was unanimously adopted.

At the June quarterly the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized.

At the September quarterly two unworthy brethren were expelled for soliciting applications to membership in a spurious lodge, chartered by the Pinney gang of Ohio. It is needless to add that the larger part of the $15 collected for the alleged degrees was retained by the local promoters of the fraud.

Seven special communications were held during the year, two being lodge centennials, three for the laying of corner stones, one for the dedication of a hall, and one for constituting the new lodge.

The annual communication was held at Boston, Dec. 10th, M.·. W.·. C. T. Gallagher, Grand Master. One hundred and nine-two lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-five on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Membership forty-three thousand, four hundred, and fifteen; gain thirteen hundred and twenty. Receipts, exclusive of rents, $14,591.47.

The charity funds were reported at $222,121.96; and a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation.

The grand officers were installed on St. John's Day, with the annual feast.

The volume concludes with a valuable history of the Gridley House at Brookline, with a cut of the venerable building which stood as a landmark for nearly one hundred and fifty years.

M.·. W.·. Baalis Sanford, Brockton, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. S. D. Nickerson, Cambridge, re-elected Recording Grand Secretary.

## MICHIGAN, 1903.

The fifty-ninth annual communication was held at Detroit, Jan. 27th and 28th, M.·. W.·. Neal McMillan, Grand Master. Three hundred and eighty-five lodges represented; three hundred and eighty-seven on the roll. Sixteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership forty-seven thousand, six hundred, and thirty-eight; gain twenty-four hundred and twenty-nine. Receipts $28,256.47.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

There is nothing in the address or the ten decisions of any special interest outside of that jurisdiction.

The report of the grand secretary contains a touching tribute to the memory of his wife, who died on Christmas day. This portion was read by the deputy grand master, and at its conclusion the entire grand lodge rose to its feet, remaining for a moment with bowed heads and in perfect silence.

An appropriation of $500 was made to the grand secretary for a stenographer; telegrams of greeting and regret were forwarded to two past grand masters, absent through illness; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Tennessee by wire; the report of the home gives forty-nine inmates, maintenance $8,598.28; the Grand Lodge of Western Australia was recognized; no action was taken on the resolution from the Grand Lodge of Tennessee denouncing the use of cipher rituals; the application of the St. Louis Exposition for assistance in erecting a fraternal building was turned down; the committee on German ritual again reported progress and was granted further time; three charters were granted and one dispensation continued; an engrossed copy of resolutions was presented from the grand chapter, O. E. S.; the by-laws were amended increasing the salary of the grand secretary from $1,500 to $1,800, and authorizing the grand master to call out the grand officers to assist in the dedication of masonic temples; the application of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico for recognition was laid over a year; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The memorial pages were condensed to four, a great improvement.

The report on correspondence is the last we shall have from the ready pen of Bro. J. S. Conover, who died Apr. 4th as the result of an operation, surviving his wife a little over three months. He was elected grand secretary in 1892, grand secretary of the grand chapter in 1893, grand recorder of the grand council in 1897, and literally wore himself out in the service of his brethren. Minnesota deeply sympathizes with Michigan in its great loss.

M.·. W.·. R. W. Broughton, Paw Paw, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. L. B. Wisor, Reed City, appointed Grand Secretary to fill vacancy.

## MISSISSIPPI, 1903.

The eighty-fifth annual communication was held at Biloxi, Feb. 19th and 20th, M.·. W.·. H. T. Howard, Grand Master. Two hundred and forty-nine lodges represented;

two hundred and eighty-six on the roll. Twelve past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges; two charters arrested. Membership ten thousand, nine hundred, and sixty-six; gain two hundred and ninety. Receipts $7,120.63.

The portraits are of the grand master and two past grand officers.

A large number of special dispensations were granted, one of them to ballot for a candidate for the third degree after he had been raised.

A resolution of sympathy was voted to Bro. A. H. Barkley, past grand master, detained at home by illness, with a fervent prayer for his recovery; a number of distinguished brethren from Louisiana, headed by their grand master, were welcomed as visitors; Bro. H. C. Aiken, Imperial Potentate of the Mystic Shrine, was introduced and delivered an address; thirty lodge representatives were fined a day's pay each for not answering at roll call; the special committee reported a resolution making it a masonic offense to have or use a cipher ritual, which was adopted; the usual budget of questions and answers was received from the law committee; no action was taken upon the application to assist in the erection of a fraternal building at the St. Louis Exposition; four charters and four dispensations were granted and one dispensation continued; the grand secretary was instructed to compile a digest of decisions; and the committee on the state of the craft submitted an interesting report which includes a history of the present Mississippi work.

The report on foreign correspondence was the handiwork of Bro. A. H. Barkley, bearing no marks of his recent illness. Minnesota was reviewed the day after Christmas, and his evident good will towards all mankind is evidenced by the following extracts:

The grand master's address is a good business paper and tells, in plain words, what he was called upon to do during his administration.

The subject of Bro. W. P. Roberts' oration was Our First Degree. He brought forth things "both new and old" and laid them before

the brethren in a most attractive way. The lesson taught in the oration is one that every mason needs to learn. This oration is a valuable acquisition to the literature of masonry, and those who are so fortunate as to have it in their possession will be profited by its reading.

Bro. Irving Todd submitted an admirable report on correspondence, in which he reviews the proceedings of fifty-seven sister grand lodges in the most fraternal style which is peculiar to himself. He says everything in the right way and right time, and leaves all concerned in the best of humor with the reporter, and themselves in particular. One page and a half of this report is devoted to Mississippi for 1901.

M.·. W.·. E. N. Thomas, Greenville, Grand Master; M.·. W.·. Frederic Speed, Vicksburg, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. H. Barkley, Crawford, committee on fraternal correspondence.

## MISSOURI, 1903.

The eighty-third annual communication was held at St.. Louis, Oct. 20th, 21st, and 22d, R.·. W.·. W. F. Kuhn, acting Grand Master. Three hundred and thirty-five lodges represented; five hundred and sixty-one on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Five dispensations for new lodges; three charters surrendered; one consolidation; one dispensation recalled. Membership thirty-seven thousand, six hundred, and eighty-four; gain seventeen hundred and eighty-one. Receipts $36,795.95.

The death of Bro. J. C. Yocum, grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the late grand master. There is also a cut of the Washington gavel, used in laying the corner stone of the state building on the exposition grounds.

The six decisions reported are of no special interest; the Grand Master of Kansas was welcomed as a visitor; the attempt to amend the constitution by a vote of the lodges again proved a failure, barely one-fifth taking action thereon, which proves that their plan of legislation is very far

from being a success; an interesting and valuable address was delivered by Bro. William Southern, grand orator; the grand secretary was instructed to print only the title of the case and the action of the grand lodge in future reports of the committee on appeals and grievances, a decided change for the better; resolutions of sympathy were extended to a grand chaplain and a district deputy grand master, absent by reason of illness; four charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; recognition was extended to the grand lodges of Cuba, New Zealand, New South Wales, South Australia, West Australia, Tasmania, and Victoria, and conditionally to Valle de Mexico, a wholesale method of doing things; the grand lodge was located at St. Louis, to meet the last Tuesday in September; the jurisprudence committee correctly held that a brother duly elected and installed is entitled to the rank of past master at the end of the term, whether serving in person or otherwise; a special committee was appointed to compile the amendments and approved decisions since 1892; the fees for the degrees were fixed at not less than $20, and in cities with fifteen or more lodges at not less than $50; a collection of $117 was taken for the children of the home; the chairmen of standing committees were placed on the pay roll; a plan somewhat similar to our own was proposed for amending the constitution, which of course has to go to the lodges for approval, together with an objectionable amendment giving them an additional vote for each fifty members, to be cast under the unit rule; and the contingent fund of the grand master was increased to $1,000.

The reports of the masonic home show one hundred and thirty-five inmates. Maintenance $21,133.06. The endowment fund amounts to the handsome sum of $105,133.34.

The report on foreign correspondence was made by the grand secretary as a matter of course, with a very fraternal notice of Minnesota, from which the following extracts are taken:

> The golden jubilee and celebration on the 24th of February, 1903, was a most interesting occasion, a historical review of the past fifty years was made, embracing biographical sketches of all the grand

masters who had served the fraternity during the half century just closed. In the list of grand masters is a sketch of Bro. J. C. Braden, who was grand master in 1876-7. The record states that on account of failing health he went to San Antonio, Tex., in 1877, and died soon after his arrival there. The circumstances connected with that event are vividly recollected by this writer, as the widow and two children surviving the deceased brother came through St. Louis soon after the death of Grand Master Braden, when they were taken charge of by a number of St. Louis masons and cared for tenderly and lovingly during their stay in this city.

A report covering eighty-one pages was rendered by Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee. His review embraced brief and synoptic notices of fifty-four grand lodge journals. Missouri for 1902 received the compliment of a little over one page in which he very briefly noticed our transactions of last session.

The older members of our grand lodge also well remember the circumstance above referred to, and the many acts of kindness at the hands of the Texas and Missouri brethren reported at the session following Bro. Braden's death. The younger members will do well to procure a copy of our 1878 proceedings and read the interesting details for themselves.

M.·. W.·. W. F. Kuhn, Kansas City, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. J. D. Vincil, St. Louis, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## MONTANA, 1902.

The thirty-eighth annual communication was held at Butte, Sept. 17th and 18th, M.·. W.·. G. T. Slack, Grand Master. Forty-eight lodges represented; forty-nine on the roll. Ten past grand masters present, including our representative.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership three thousand, five hundred, and fifty-three; gain two hundred and twenty-eight. Receipts $5,454.80.

The portrait is that of the grand master. There is also a cut of the temple at Butte, just completed.

A number of questions and answers were reported, of little interest outside that jurisdiction, other than that noth-

ing would warrant the remission of fees for the degrees to a minister of the gospel.

From the grand secretary's report it is learned that he has been thirty years in that office and the grand treasurer thirty-one, both good and faithful servants; the new temple was dedicated the first evening, with a historical address by Bro. H. L. Frank; the dispensation for a new lodge was continued; the life membership amendment of last year was lost, together with another requiring visitors to produce receipts for dues; the code was amended so that when an annual election falls on Christmas or the evening before it shall be held at the regular meeting preceding that date; the mileage of lodge representatives was reduced to three cents; the three lesser lights were ordered placed in a triangular form on the south side of the altar; a street car ride was tendered, and a recess of fifteen minutes had for taking a group of the members by a local photographer; the publishers of their monitor were authorized to issue a revised edition; a testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master, who turned over the signet ring to his successor; the profound gratitude of the fraternity was recorded for the bequest of Bro. David Auchard to the masonic home; and $1,000 was transferred to its account from the general fund, making the total $16,376.80.

The report on fraternal correspondence was by the grand secretary, from which we reproduce the following:

This jurisdiction offers for inspection a handsome and interesting volume covering the transactions had at its forty-ninth anniversary, held in St. Paul Jan. 22d, 23d last past, Grand Master G. S. Ives presiding. A fair picture enables outsiders to judge something of the brother by his looks.

Our grand representative, Bro. A. D. Countryman, of Appleton, was honored by election as grand master, and it will be a red letter year, capped with a semi-centennial.

Grand Secretary Montgomery has become indispensable.

We are rather surprised that this committee approved a regulation that a member could be restored from indefinite suspension after death. The motive is good, but it is *ultra vires*.

The oration of Bro. W. P. Roberts upon the lessons of the first degree would be healthy reading for every entered apprentice, and might take the place of the charge.

Bro. Todd's correspondence report, always good, seems this year better than usual. If, as the brother intimates, he has had rheumatism for thirty years, all we can say is, may the Lord give him an easy seat in heaven.

Bro. Merrill keeps the Veteran Association booming, and has adorned his record with the pictures of Bro. Naramore, first president, and Bro. Dan Sickles, who first suggested such an organization.

M.·. W.·. F. E. Smith, Lewistown, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. Cornelius Hedges, Helena, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## NEBRASKA, 1903.

The forty-sixth annual communication was held at Omaha, June 3d, 4th, and 5th, M.·. W.·. N. M. Ayers, Grand Master. Two hundred and one lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-three on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge; three charters surrendered. Membership thirteen thousand, six hundred, and twenty-four; gain five hundred and nine. Receipts $15,673.22.

Nineteen decisions were reported, seven of which were disapproved by the committee on jurisprudence. Among the latter was one (No. 15) that cubes should not be used in place of black balls. We do not like them either, although the innovation is quite general.

The orphans' educational fund was stated at $38,713.32 and the masonic home fund at $6,934.40; an appropriation of $200 was made for the relief of the flood sufferers in Kansas; fraternal greetings were exchanged with Iowa; the committee on monitor was granted further time; greetings were transmitted to a past grand master, at the hot springs for his health; an elaborate oration was delivered by Bro. Roscoe Pound, grand orator; the request of the Grand Lodge of Victoria for recognition was granted, and that of the Grand Orient of Argentine laid over for further informa-

tion; the constitutional amendment locating the grand lodge at Omaha was adopted; the special committee on work was given further time to report; a charter was granted the lodge under dispensation; the faithful and efficient services of Bro. R. E. French, grand custodian, were appropriately recognized in a special report of the committee on work; the one hundred and thirty-three members of extinct lodges were given a year to either obtain a dimit from the grand secretary or pay up their back grand lodge dues, under penalty of having charges preferred against them. The grand secretary was directed to procure a flag to be carried on all public occasions; by an amendment to the law dimits will hereafter only be issued after the election of a brother to membership in another lodge; the Acacia was commended to the support of the brethren; and a gavel made of olive wood from Jerusalem was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. C. J. Phelps, with the following fraternal paragraphs referring to Minnesota:

> The celebration of their Golden Jubilee was a most enjoyable event. Historical addresses and papers published in the proceedings make the volume a very valuable one for reference to the student, and to the Minnesota mason one to be cherished.
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> Bro. Irving Todd presents the report on correspondence, covering eighty-one pages, and reviewing the proceedings of fifty-four grand lodges. It is a very concisely written review.

M.·. W.·. F. E. Bullard, North Platte, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. F. E. White, Omaha, re-elected Grand Secretary, and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## NEVADA, 1903.

The thirty-ninth annual communication was held at Virginia City, June 9th and 10th, M.·. W.·. A. O. Percy, Grand Master. Eighteen lodges represented; twenty-one on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nine hundred and forty-four; gain forty. Receipts $1,591.75.

The deaths of Bro. Albert Lackey and Bro. H. L. Fish, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, grand secretary, and the two deceased past grand masters.

No decisions were reported.

A constitutional amendment providing for the consolidation of lodges was laid over until next year; the appeals of the Anvil Masonic Club and the St. Louis Exposition for aid were not granted; the grand secretary was ordered to obtain a statement from the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica as to the circumstances of its formation; the compensation of the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence was restored to $100, without restriction as to the length of his report; the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico and the Grand Lodge Ignacio Ramirez were recognized; and an enjoyable entertainment and banquet was provided by the local chapter O. E. S.

The report on foreign correspondence was written this year by Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth, who has had considerable experience in that line. It is a good paper. The following paragraphs are found under the head of Minnesota:

> Our sister had a golden jubilee. Therefore this volume of proceedings is a superb anniversary number. Portraits and biographical sketches of the founders of the grand lodge and of the twenty-three grand masters appear. May masonry continue to prosper in this sturdy and progressive jurisdiction.
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> Bro. Marden, we are proud to note, was among the grand representatives.
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> A scholarly account of his year's work is what Grand Master Countryman gives us. He holds strong views against life membership, and we uphold him in them.
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> Bro. Masterman delivered the oration. He is a master man at the business, it being one of the best orations that has fallen our way this year. It pleases us to see that he is not one of the haters of the word progressive in connection with masonry. Surely, all that is human retrograde if it do not advance, as Gibbon tells us.
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> In eighty-one pages Bro. Irving Todd reports fifty-four grand jurisdictions, yet in this small compass there is much excellent read-

ing. All of the good things are not reviewed, but that could not be expected of one man in a single report for a singularly small stipend. We would like to see our brother spread himself in a report; just once at least. The important acts of our thirty-eighth annual are fraternally noticed.

When Bro. Hodgson, under Oregon, said that a Roman Catholic is never a masonic success, he made too sweeping an assertion entirely. In our own little lodge we know of two, one our treasurer until his death, whose lives and deaths were an emphatic denial of his charges.

The eleventh annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association makes interesting reading. It is prefaced with a portrait of the second president of the order, Bro. B. F. Farmer.

Bro. Vanderlieth holds that a masonic home "is the pearl without price in masonry's crown of duty;" that a lodge has the right to select its own membership, without restriction by the grand lodge; that the Eastern Star is a mighty convenient institution to have around, more particularly, we presume, at the annual sessions of the grand lodge; that the tyler has the right and should vote like the other members; that the grand master's prerogative of making masons at sight should be sparingly exercised; and that no flag is needed in a lodge room.

While mildly scoring their representatives for not being present at the sessions of the grand lodge to which they are accredited, the absence of Bro. R. A. Bulmer for two years remains unaccounted for, although his address is given at Virginia.

M.·. W.·. Trenmor Coffin, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. C. N. Noteware re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Carson City.

## NEW BRUNSWICK, 1902.

The thirty-fifth annual communication was held at St. John, Aug. 26th and 27th, M.·. W.·. A. I. Trueman, Grand Master. Twenty lodges represented; thirty-five on the roll. Four past grand masters present, our representative included.

Membership nineteen hundred and ninety-four; gain one hundred. Receipts $2,118.65.

The portraits are of the grand master and a past grand master.

There were three decisions, against paying initiation fees by installments as the several degrees are received; against incorporation of a subordinate lodge as masonically improper; and that all business should be transacted on the third degree, although not imperative. The first is not in accord with the Minnesota practice.

Notice was given that a motion would be made next year to strike out the section providing that a mason can be a member of but one lodge; an oil painting of Bro. W. F. Bunting, past grand master and for many years grand secretary, was presented by the local lodge; and the members of St. John's Lodge were empowered to wear the memorial badge struck at their centennial anniversary, while in regalia.

M.·. W.·. A. I. Trueman, Grand Master, and V.·. W.·. J. T. Hartt, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; both of St. John.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1903.

The one hundred and fourteenth annual communication was held at Concord, May 20th, M.·. W.·. H. M. Cheney, Grand Master. Fifty-three lodges represented; seventy-nine on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nine thousand, five hundred, and eighty-four; gain one hundred and four. Receipts $3,124.20.

The death of Bro. Joseph Kidder, grand treasurer since 1874, was announced.

There are three portraits of past grand officers and a cut of the new masonic home at Manchester, dedicated May 11th.

There were half a dozen decisions reported, of purely local interest; by an amendment to the constitution the per

capita tax was increased fifty cents, to go to the home, with a temporary loan of $1,600 from grand lodge funds; the annual dinner was served to those present; and the journal was not materially improved by the duplication of the unsavory details of a masonic trial which never should have been printed at all.

Bro. A. S. Wait devotes two pages of his valuable report on foreign correspondence to a review of Minnesota, closing with the following personal compliment:

> Bro. Irving Todd furnishes an able and interesting report on foreign correspondence, in which are reviewed the transactions of fifty-seven sister grand lodges, those of New Hampshire for 1901 being accorded very fraternal notice among the rest.

Bro. Wait rightfully holds that the treatment of individual masons from jurisdictions which have not been recognized, or from whom recognition has been withdrawn, needs further and better consideration upon the part of the craft than it has as yet received, but we do not agree with the subsequent deduction that a grand lodge cannot deprive its membership, for cause, of all masonic intercourse with the membership of another jurisdiction. Otherwise an edict such as those directed against the Grand Lodge of Washington several years ago would be a mere blank cartridge, not worth the paper upon which it was written. Like the prerogative of making masons at sight, however, the authority should be used only in cases of emergency. A firm, dignified protest is generally the better method of attaining the same result.

Neither do we assent to his views upon the waiving of concurrent jurisdiction by any one lodge in a community which has two or more. It may be inconvenient in some instances to apply to each of them separately, but under our practice it must be done, and rightfully too, or there would be no concurrence. As Minnesota does not subscribe to the theory of perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material, there is comparatively little necessity with us for the mak-

ing or the granting of waiver applications, at a great saving of wear and tear to all concerned.

It is a pleasure to examine pamphlets like those of New Hampshire and a few others, that will stay open without manual assistance. Stapling is cheaper than stitching, and certainly ought to be as a poor make-shift in binding.

M.·. W.·. H. M. Cheney, Lebanon, Grand Master, and R.·. W.·. F. D. Woodbury, Concord, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. A. S. Wait, Newport, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## NEW JERSEY, 1903.

The one hundred and sixteenth annual communication was held at Trenton, Mar. 11th and 12th, M.·. W.·. W. H. Apgar, Grand Master. One hundred and sixty-four lodges represented; one hundred and seventy-two on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership twenty thousand, three hundred, and thirty-one; gain eleven hundred and eighty-one. Receipts $20,493.20.

A large number of distinguished brethren from neighboring jurisdictions, together with the governor of the state, were welcomed as visitors; the grand master reported the examination of eighty candidates as to their physical qualifications, twenty-six being rejected; three thousand copies of the new digest were ordered printed; telegrams of remembrance were sent to two past grand masters, absent by reason of illness; a reception was given the children from the home; the report of this institution shows fifty-five inmates, maintenance $14,216.62; a per capita tax of $2 was levied to build an orphanage; and a warrant was granted the lodge under dispensation.

The committee on jurisprudence reported that they had only been able to discover ten landmarks, certainly enough for all practical purposes, which are discussed in an inter-

esting paper too lengthy for reproduction. They are grouped under the following heads:

1. God.
2. The great light in masonry.
3. The grand master.
4. The lodge.
5. The candidate.
6. The brethren.
7. Masters and wardens.
8. Jurisdiction.
9. Secrecy.
10. Degrees.

Masonic writers agree upon one point, that the landmarks of the fraternity can never be changed. Then comes the parting of the ways, but we have neither the time nor inclination to enlarge upon the subject in this connection.

The report on foreign correspondence was transmitted by Bro. Charles Belcher, not physically able to be present. The following paragraphs are taken from the fraternal review of Minnesota:

After announcing various committees the grand master read his annual address, a practical, business-like document. Five decisions are reported and approved. We quote No. 5 as being in conflict with our own law. * * * We cannot see why the labors of the worshipful master should not entitle him to the distinguished privileges of exemption; he certainly labors as hard as any of the "exempt." Our glasses have been so colored by usage that we see justice only when all pay alike.

Bro. W. P. Roberts, grand orator, delivered a pure, practical, and patriotic oration upon the theme, Our First Degree.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, and covers a review of the proceedings of fifty-seven jurisdictions. Two and one-half pages are devoted to New Jersey, in which he gives the substance of our doings in 1901, and extended quotations of the writer's comments, especially upon the figures regarding maintenance of the home. We asknowledge it would be hard to arrive at any definite figures from the source referred to. Our later financial statements in this line have been fuller in detail.

We note with regret the decease of R. W. Bro. J. H. Thompson, grand treasurer, our grand representative, and are pleased that the

new incumbent is also grand treasurer and will doubtless be present at annual communications.

Forty pages are devoted to the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association, its tenth reunion, and gives much interesting reading matter, also a gravure of Bro. R. C. Narramore, the founder and first president.

The decision objected to is only the reiteration of a general regulation, which has been the law in this jurisdiction since the present constitution was adopted in 1856.

The reference to Bro. R. C. Narramore is a misapprehension. He was the founder and first president of the Masonic Veteran Association of Connecticut, which claims to be the original association, New York to the contrary notwithstanding.

M.·. W.·. W. H. Apgar, Grand Master, and R.·. W.·. T. H. R. Redway, Grand Secretary, were re-elected, both of Trenton; Bro. Charles Belcher, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## NEW MEXICO, 1902.

The twenty-fifth annual communication was held at Santa Fe, Oct. 20th and 21st, M.·. W.·. W.·. A. H. Harllee, Grand Master. Sixteen lodges represented; twenty on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership eleven hundred and forty-six; gain sixty-seven. Receipts $1,818.30.

There was nothing of particular interest in the seven decisions rendered during the year; a committee of three past grand masters was appointed to wait upon Bro. Max Frost, past grand master, and convey the sympathy of the grand lodge in his infirmities; the committee on accounts reported that the condition of the treasury would not warrant an appropriation to the fraternal building association at St. Louis; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the request of the Supreme Council of Central

America for withdrawal of recognition to Costa Rica was not granted; a past master's jewel was voted to Bro. W. H Seamon in recognition of his services as grand lecturer; a resolution abolishing the grand representative system was not adopted; the grand lodge by-law prohibiting incorporation of lodges was repealed, and that referring to non-affiliates amended so that the holder of a dimit more than one year old is not entitled to any rights and privileges other than that of applying for membership; and a banquet was served by the local lodge.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared as usual by Bro. W. H. Seamon, from which the following paragraphs are taken:

> Grand Master Ives opened the grand lodge in ample form. His address is a business-like statement of the events during the year, and contains nothing of interest to this jurisdiction. His comments and suggestions are pointed and timely.
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> We note also the able address of the grand orator, W. P. Roberts, whose subject was Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, from which we quote one thought.
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> The report on fraternal correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, and is, like all his productions, worthy of close study. New Mexico for 1900 is reviewed.

It concludes with another interesting chapter on Mexican Masonry, compiled from personal observation. Bro. Seamon believes that the masonic influence now needed in that country is that of the Scottish rite, and that the York rite is doomed to speedy dissolution unless there is a complete separation of the two.

M.·. W.·. E. A. Cahoon, Roswell, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. A. A. Keen, Albuquerque, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. H. Seamon, El Paso, Tex., chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## NEW SQUTH WALES, 1903.

A special communication was held at Sydney, July 4th, for the installation of the grand officers. The following patriotic paragraph is taken from the grand master's address on that occasion:

By a notable coincidence we meet on a day, the annual recurrence of which is celebrated with enthusiasm by the citizens of the great United States of America, where, I need scarcely remind you, freemasonry flourishes on that giant scale which seems appropriate to that great country.

At the September quarterly the Grand Master of Tasmania was welcomed as a visitor; the death of Bro. Alfred Rofe, past grand master, was announced; the reissuance of a surrendered warrant was reported; and an appropriation of £50 was made to the sufferers from the colliery disaster at Mount Kembla.

At the March quarterly the issuance of a warrant to a new lodge was reported, together with an acknowledgment of the invitation to attend our golden jubilee.

At the June quarterly grand officers were elected; the contributions of the craft to the drought relief fund were reported at £250; an appropriation of £50 was made to the cyclone sufferers at Townsville; a vote of thanks was accorded the grand treasurer for the gift of a set of consecration vessels; and a protest was entered against the recent persecution of the Jews in Russia.

The number of lodges is given at one hundred and eighty-nine, an increase of three during the year. Membership nine thousand, three hundred, and seventy-eight; gain five hundred and sixty-six. Receipts £2,724.

The report on foreign correspondence was on the usual co-operative plan, Minnesota being reviewed by Bro. J. G. Moon, from which we reproduce the following:

The decree of grand lodge that only the secretary, chaplain and tyler of a lodge are exempt from dues is a matter of internal government, but it carries with it the fact that brethren upon whom life membership has been conferred for long and distinguished services will now have to pay dues, and, if unable, cease membership. It is to be hoped that no brother will be in that unfortunate position.

The efforts of the grand lodges of America to promote temperance are certainly to be praised; but, in the opinion of the writer, they go too far or not far enough; if the substituted resolution is in accordance with the ancient landmarks, which "stipulate that it is the man and not his calling is to be regarded." Why did not the Grand

Lodge of Minnesota declare that not only the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, but the drinking of the same as a beverage, rendered membership ineligible? It would have been consistent and putting in practice the legitimate conclusion. We think the abuse, and not the use, of things is to be condemned. In our own grand lodge we have at least two lodges which by their own voluntary act refrain from the use of such beverages, and in our whole territory not a single member will be found justifying an excess of the use of the same. The writer has met many masons from America whose views upon these matters coincide with his own.

The special report of the committee on a masonic home was read and adopted. We might suggest the committee should read the report of the Freemasons' Benevolent Institution of New South Wales, which is appended to the proceedings of our grand lodge, as being one built on the lines of successful management. Our system of paying annuities up to £50 per annum and leaving the aged masons to live with their families and friends we have found by experience is of the most beneficial character. The cottage homes plan of one of our sister grand lodges is good, but it has, of course, its limits. We hope the deliberations of the committee will result in a further extension and practice of one of our noblest features, charity.

Minnesota evidently believes in big lodges, eight of which have over three hundred financial members, one having eight hundred and upwards. The majority meet every fortnight. Experience has proved in our state that, as M. W. Bro. J. C. Remington, grand master, has on more than one occasion explained, in order to ensure good working in harmony and peace, and so that every deserving student and worker in the craft may be furnished with an opportunity of aspiring to the chair of King Solomon a lodge of one hundred members is strong enough. When that number is exceeded we think they should lay the foundation of another lodge, thereby promoting the spread and influence of the craft.

The committee of foreign correspondence favorably and at some length reviewed the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales.

The oration delivered by Bro. W. P. Roberts, grand orator, subject Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, was an eloquent and able address, and, if space admitted, might with profit and advantage be reprinted *in extenso*.

Not the least interesting portion of the volume of proceedings is that which relates to the Veteran Masons' Association of Minnesota, full of interesting reading and historical reminiscences, paying a tribute to eminent workers of the past, and giving the history of early days.

Any lodge in Minnesota may remit the dues of a member for sufficient reasons, but is responsible to the grand lodge for the per capita tax of forty cents, with the exception of secretary, chaplain, and tyler.

That "masonry is a progressive science" is illustrated by the two fads, prohibition and masonic homes, that are making the rounds of our American grand lodges. Minnesota has the one, but it is to be hoped that it will be spared the expensive luxury of the other. Our system of relief is upon the same lines as that of New South Wales, as Bro. Moon would have found by referring to the report of the committee on appropriations, and it has proven eminently satisfactory for a number of years.

The comments upon big lodges are sound. In our own opinion when the membership is so large that a brother needs a personal introduction in his own lodge it is time to swarm.

M.·. W.·. J. C. Remington, re-elected Grand Master; V.· W.·. A. H. Bray, Grand Secretary; both of Sydney.

## NEW YORK, 1903.

The one hundred and twenty-second annual communication was held at New York, May 5th, 6th, and 7th, M.·. W.·. Elbert Crandall, Grand Master. Number of lodges represented not stated; seven hundred and fifty-seven on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Six dispensations for new lodges. Membership one hundred and eighteen thousand, one hundred, and eighty-five; gain six thousand, eight hundred, and twenty. Receipts $96,232.87.

The deaths of Bro. C. F. Paige, their senior past grand master, and Bro. Peter Ross, grand historian, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and an honorary past grand master.

The reports of the home show two hundred and ninety-one inmates, maintenance $65,778.15; the report of the grand

historian continues the lodge histories down to number forty-four, with cuts of masonic buildings erected in 1825 and 1896; the grand librarian reported a large number of valuable accessions, and the weeding out of public documents to make room; the grand officers were elected by acclamation; a number of distinguished visitors were welcomed from neighboring jurisdictions; the Grand Lodge of Western Australia was recognized; charters were granted to the six lodges under dispensation; the committee on monitor reported progress; and the finance committee declined to recommend an appropriation for the fraternal building at St. Louis.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. J. B. Anthony as usual, with translations by Bro. Emil Frankel, whose acquaintance we had the pleasure of making several years ago. The following extracts are made from the fraternal review of Minnesota:

W.·. W. P. Roberts, grand orator, delivered a good practical address upon Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic.

The report on correspondence (ninety-one pages) is a good condensation of the proceedings of fifty-seven grand lodges by W.·. Irving Todd. It might be well for some grand secretaries to carefully read the following from one who plainly knows how. * * * New York for 1901 has judicious attention.

As an addendum to the proceedings we have the record of the tenth annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association of this jurisdiction, held at St. Paul, Jan. 22d, 1902. * * * The proceedings embrace excellent and important papers of historical interest.

M.·. W.·. Elbert Crandall, Brooklyn, Grand Master; and M.·. W.·. E. M. L. Ehlers, New York, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. J. B. Anthony, Utica, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## NORTH CAROLINA, 1903.

The one hundred and sixteenth annual communication was held at Raleigh, Jan. 13th, 14th, and 15th, M.·. W.·. H. I. Clark, Grand Master. Two hundred and sixty-eight lodges represented; three hundred and twenty-nine on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Four dispensations for new lodges; two charters surrendered and three restored. Membership twelve thousand, six hundred, and sixty-two; gain six hundred and fifty. Receipts $8,249.10.

The death of Bro. A. A. Marshall, grand chaplain, was announced. His portrait faces the title page.

A number of answers to questions were reported in the address, none of them being entitled to rank as decisions. Reference to the code would have saved much of this correspondence.

The reports of the Oxford Orphan Asylum show two hundred and forty-seven inmates, maintenance $15,600.38; charters were granted to the four lodges under dispensation; the committee on digest was granted further time; the successor of an old defunct lodge was granted the original date of 1787 and No. 4, a jump from No. 96 to nearly the head of the list; a brief address was delivered by Bro. M. C. S. Noble, grand orator; the committee on masonic temple reported the purchase of a site in Raleigh, with nearly half the necessary amount of cash in sight, and were continued; an assistant grand treasurer was appointed, to serve without pay; provision was made for three custodians of the work, and the charter of one of the first lodges established in the state, bearing date of July, 1764, was presented to the grand lodge.

The following paragraphs are taken from the able report of Bro. J. A. Collins on foreign correspondence, under the head of Minnesota:

> The portrait of Grand Master G. S. Ives occupies the fly-leaf of the volume. His address is a plain business report of the principal acts of his administration, and is commended by the committees to which it is referred. Bro. Ives does not agree with those who claim high prerogative for the grand master, especially in his dispensing power.
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> The report on correspondence, ninety-one pages, is a review of the transactions of fifty-seven grand lodges, North Carolina, 1901, of the number, and is the work of Bro. Irving Todd, who brings experience and good judgment to the performance of his task.

M.·. W.·. H. I. Clark, Scotland Neck, Grand Master, and R.·. W.·. J. C. Drewry, Raleigh, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. J. A. Collins, Enfield, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## NORTH DAKOTA, 1903.

The fourteenth annual communication was held at Fargo, June 23d and 24th, M.·. W.·. W. L. Stockwell, Grand Master. Fifty-seven lodges represented; sixty-six on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership four thousand, three hundred, and ninety-seven; gain three hundred and ninety-eight. Receipts $4,963.51.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Six decisions were reported, at greater length than their importance really demanded. The only one of interest is that of a fellow craft from the Grand Lodge of Ontario, who was allowed to file his petition, accompanied by a dimit from the lodge conferring the first two degrees. If the grand master gave the name of the grand lodge correctly the material should have been rejected as clandestine.

A number of additions to the library were reported by the grand secretary; an appropriation of $100 was made to the fraternal building at the St. Louis exposition; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the matter of reciprocity jurisdiction with Minnesota was again urged; the juvenile ritual submitted by the grand secretary last year was commended to the craft generally; an appropriation of $100 was made to provide diplomas for the officers and members of their late military lodge in the Philippine Islands; it was ordered that the flag of our country be displayed at all sessions of the grand and subordinate lodges, and carried at the head of processions; resolutions of condolence were extended to the grand marshal upon the recent death of his wife; an apron was voted to a past junior grand warden who had removed perma-

nently from the jurisdiction; and a grand orator was added to the list of appointive officers.

Bro. R. M. Carothers submitted a second brief report on correspondence.

M.·. W.·. J. T. Blacklock, Walhalla, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. F. J. Thompson, Fargo, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. R. M. Carothers, Grand Forks, committee on fraternal correspondence.

## NOVA SCOTIA, 1903.

The thirty-eighth annual communication was held at Halifax, June 10th and 11th, M.·. W.·. L. B. Archibald, Grand Master. Forty-four lodges represented; sixty-three on the roll. Three past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership three thousand, eight hundred, and eighty-two; gain one hundred and sixty-two. Receipts $3,869.35.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Under the head of decisions the address says:

> A number of questions were submitted to me during the year, none involving any very abtruse points. These were answered in due course through the right worshipful grand secretary, in most cases by calling attention to clauses in the constitution that had been overlooked.

A charter was granted the lodge under dispensation; the grand secretary was appointed chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, with an increase of $200 in salary; divine service was attended the first evening, with a sermon by Bro. G. I. Foster, grand chaplain; a special committee was appointed to determine the ritualistic work of the jurisdiction; two past grand masters presented their portraits, which were accepted with thanks; the rank of past district deputy grand master was conferred upon four brethren; heartfelt sympathy was extended to the St. Louis fraternal building, with regrets so far as

financial assistance is concerned; and a reception and at home was given the second evening.

The grand secretary submitted an excellent report on foreign correspondence, with over three pages allotted to Minnesota, from which the following extracts are reproduced:

The opening page volume of proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota for 1903 is graced by a portrait of the grand master, M.·. W.·. Bro. A. D. Countryman, and the following two pages contain a group picture of the most worshipful grand master and officers for the present year, and a fine looking lot of brothers they are.

The grand secretary's report is as usual full of interesting information. He, like all other grand secretaries, has some trouble in getting secretaries of subordinate lodges to send in their returns within the specified time and correctly made up.

Bro. W. C. Masterman, grand orator, delivered an oration of much excellence; it is published in the proceedings, and deserves careful perusal. It is so good we would like to give it in full, but space forbids, and it is too good to mutilate by quoting paragraphs, so we must deprive our readers of the opportunity of perusing it.

This chronicle was prepared by W.·. Bro. G. R. Metcalf, and must have entailed upon him a vast amount of labor and research. It is most interesting, and from an historical point of view exceedingly valuable to members of the craft, more especially in the state of Minnesota, where no doubt it will be highly prized.

Bro. Irving Todd presents his usual interesting and instructive report on foreign correspondence, embracing a review of the proceedings of fifty-four sister grand lodges. Nova Scotia receives fraternal attention.

M.·. W.·. William Ross, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. Thomas Mowbray re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Halifax.

## OHIO, 1903.

The ninety-fourth annual communication was held at Dayton, Oct. 28th and 29th, M.·. W.·. W. A. Belt, Grand Master. Four hundred and eighty-eight lodges represented; four hundred and ninety-seven on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges; two charters surrendered. Membership fifty-five thousand and sixty-five: gain thirty-six hundred and ninety-one. Receipts $44,625.08.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Nothing is found in the eight decisions reported of more than local interest.

The expense account shows $440 for copying lodge returns, a work that has been going on several years, and is only completed back to 1864. It occurs to us that a well kept register would be both better and cheaper.

Greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin; three charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the consolidation of two lodges was approved; the committee on jurisprudence recommended that the brethren read the proceedings a little more and write the grand master a little less, which is good advice outside of that jurisdiction; the unauthorized use or possession of the ritual was made a masonic offense; the temporary joint use of lodge halls was limited to one year; the rule as to physical qualifications was amended, requiring a candidate to be able to receive and impart all the essentials of recognition without aid or assistance of another; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master, and another to a past grand master to replace one that had been stolen; the Grand Lodge Alpina was given notice to sever relations with certain clandestine bodies, or recognition would be withdrawn; recognition of Costa Rica and two of the alleged Mexican grand lodges was deferred for further information; the William McKinley Lodge was granted another year to solicit funds for its monument; the report of the home gives one hundred and thirty-two inmates and expenditures of $28,089.13; and the proceedings of the thirty-second annual reunion of the veteran association are very briefly reported.

Bro. W. M. Cunningham prefaces the able report on foreign correspondence with a continuation of his remarks upon ancient landmarks, including a personal letter from Bro. W. J. Hughan, of England, and an interesting paper

by Bro. W. E. Ginther, of Illinois. This is followed by articles upon symbolism, clandestine masonry, the universality of masonry, and nonrecognition, valuable contributions to the literature of the craft. Of Minnesota he writes:

This being the golden jubilee of the most worshipful grand lodge, the volume of proceedings is profusely illustrated by the portraits of past grand masters, the brethren who assisted in the formation of the grand lodge, and those eminent brethren who have been prominent in its affairs since its organization. There are also a number of official groups and a flash light picture of the whole grand lodge.

A very complete showing of all matters pertaining to the secretariate is made by the grand secretary, R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery.

A concise address of six pages upon Freemasonry in Minnesota was delivered by the grand orator, W. Bro. W. C. Masterman.

After the very impressive opening ceremonies of their golden jubilee a historical address was delivered by W. Bro. G. R. Metcalf, in which was given an interesting retrospect of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota from its foundation, and of the subordinate lodges that assisted in its organization.

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence is an able paper of eighty-one pages, from the pen of R.·. W.·. Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee, in which the transactions of fifty-four grand lodges are concisely and courteously reviewed. The proceedings of Ohio for 1902 receive fraternal mention, and the report of the committee on foreign correspondence is especially commended. The kind expressions of approval are fraternally appreciated by the writer.

In his review of Washington *in re* the approved decision of the grand master, "that it is not proper for a lodge to place a masonic memorial window in a church edifice," he says that "in Minnesota windows are not only placed in churches, but also dedicated by the fraternity." In this connection your committee would favor the Minnesota custom. The marks of the craft are conspicuous on the walls of church buildings erected prior to 1717, and there would certainly seem to be no impropriety whatever in following that precedent in regard to the fraternal recognition of artistic designs usual in masonic memorial church windows.

The volume under review concludes with the interesting proceedings of the Minnesota Masonic Veteran Association, covering sixteen pages.

M.·. W.·. O. P. Sperra, Ravenna, Grand Master, R.·. W.·. J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Cunningham, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## OKLAHOMA, 1903.

The eleventh annual communication was held at Guthrie, Feb. 10th and 11th, M.·. W.·. M. F. Stilwell, Grand Master. Sixty-three lodges represented; seventy-six on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Thirteen dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership four thousand, one hundred, and forty-eight; gain eight hundred and fifty-seven. Receipts $3,614.01.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Eighteen decisions were reported, the following not being in accord with general usage:

> 3. In the absence of the master and senior warden can the junior warden appoint a member, who has never held an office, to preside in the east, open lodge, and transact business? In view of the facts as set forth, no.
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> 10. Can a man lawfully sign a petition a month before he is twenty-one years of age, and, if elected, can I confer the entered apprentice degree the day he becomes twenty-one years of age? Yes.

Although approved by the law committee the rulings are not sound, particularly the latter. A lodge has no more right to receive the petition of a minor than it would have to initiate him a month before becoming of age.

The proceedings of last year were corrected, to show that twenty charters were granted instead of nineteen; the question of permanently locating the grand lodge was decided in the negative; twelve charters were granted and one dispensation continued; an appropriation of $50 was made for the purchase of masonic literature; stringent prohibition legislation was enacted, which, if enforced, will rid the fraternity of all gamblers, profane swearers, and liquor dealers; the card register system was adopted, with an appropriation of $400; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to $100 and that of the grand lecturer to $50 per month; moral support was extended to the fraternal building association at St. Louis in lieu of cash; the proposed amendment

to the code requiring new members to pass an examination in open lodge before being permitted to vote or hold office was very sensibly voted down; an esotoric address was delivered by Bro. H. S. Cuningham, and consequently not printed; amendments were adopted permitting a candidate stopped by objection to petition again in six instead of twelve months, and providing for uniform dimits; the blanks for lodge returns were ordered changed so as to show the amount of delinquent dues; and the per capita tax was increased twenty-five cents for the benefit of the masonic home fund, now reported at $3,878.33.

A report on foreign correspondence was submitted by the grand secretary, and he was instructed to prepare another next year. Bro. Hunt writes a good report, but only by special invitation. Of Minnesota he says:

> The grand secretary, Bro. Thomas Montgomery, submitted his usual able and concise report.
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> An able address of the grand orator on Our First Degree is well worth the space it occupies, but is too extended for reproduction here.
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> The report on correspondence, condensed into ninety-one pages and reviewing the proceedings of fifty-seven grand lodges, is ably prepared by Bro. Irving Todd. Oklahoma receives fraternal notice and, with a "condensative" ability that we envy but cannot emulate, has given a complete summary of our 1901 annual in a little more than one page.

Here follows the same error noticed in a number of reviews. Bro. R. C. Naramore was the founder of the Connecticut association, not that of Minnesota.

He demurs to the procedure in Indiana with regard to the reception of petitions by a vote of the lodge. In Minnesota a petition is received and referred, without a vote, unless objection is made.

M.·. W.·. S. P. Larsh, Tecumseh, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. J. S. Hunt, Stillwater, re-elected Grand Secretary, and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## OREGON, 1903.

The fifty-third annual communication was held at Portland, June 10th, 11th, and 12th, M.·. W.·. W. F. Butcher, Grand Master. Ninety-five lodges represented; one hundred and one on the roll. Seventeen past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership six thousand, four hundred, and five; gain four hundred and forty-six. Receipts $7,613.88.

The death of Bro. F. H. Alliston, grand treasurer, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master; hardly as sanguinary as the name would imply.

Seventeen decisions were reported, of local interest only. The following is a fair sample of the fool questions often propounded to grand masters:

> 14. Can a masonic lodge meet and do work in a hall which stands north and south? Certainly.

The case of a citizen of Oregon, who returned home with a knight templar's charm after a temporary absence of nine months in Georgia, was detailed at considerable length, it appearing that he had gone through lodge, chapter, and commandery down there in that brief period of time, although not a resident of the jurisdiction. An edict was promptly issued forbidding masonic intercourse with the enterprising individual, and the action of the grand master was rightfully confirmed by the grand lodge. He will have to move his family south to realize any returns from the unlawful investment.

The Grand Master of Kansas was welcomed as a visitor; a cane was presented by a mason's widow for the official use of the grand master, to be handed down to his successor; congratulations were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Washington; a brief address was delivered by Bro. E. L. Smith, grand orator; fraternal greetings were received from

the Grand Chapter O. E. S.; the request of the fraternal building association at St. Louis for an appropriation was not granted; mileage and expenses were voted to one delegate from lodges under dispensation; the names of members were ordered printed annually instead of once in five years, an expensive step backwards; a committee of three past grand masters was appointed to call upon an aged past grand treasurer and extend felicitations; the application of the Anvil Club at Nome to solicit funds in the jurisdiction was denied; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the revised funeral service adapted to cremation was adopted; new by-laws were added for the management of the educational fund, now amounting to $31,416.90 and eight hundred and ninety-eight shares of the masonic temple stock; and recognition of the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was reaffirmed, possibly as an offset to the charges of the Supreme Council of Central America.

The proceedings of an association of past grand masters, organized during the session of 1902 by Bro. A. V. Warr, past grand master of Tennessee, are given as an appendix. It has a membership of twenty, the annual dinner being a leading feature.

Another very readable report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. J. M. Hodson. The following paragraphs are taken from the two and a half pages allotted to Minnesota:

> A. D. Countryman, M.·. W.·. Grand Master, delivered an address which demonstrated that he had been the right man in the right place, and that his activity had been rewarded by the craft enjoying one of its most prosperous years. * * * He had granted several special dispensations for conferring degrees on more than five candidates during one evening. We do not like that system a little bit. Just as well, and we think better, stand the whole class up in a row and perform on one as an object lesson for the lot. While it has been done in a way, many times, no lodge ever conferred more than three degrees between the hours of eight and twelve o'clock, in one evening, and did the candidate full justice, and we are forever opposed to this class business. He properly declined to permit the working of physically imperfect material.

His decisions were all confirmed by the grand lodge. One of them, we think, is wrong, which requires all the lodges in a city holding concurrent jurisdiction to join in a waiver. Now, that is virtually a prohibition of securing a waiver at all, especially in large cities. The proper procedure in a case of that kind is to send the application to one lodge; that lodge notifies each of the concurrent lodges; after one full month, if no objection is entered, the lodge to which application has been made may grant or refuse the waiver, and there the matter ends, just exactly the same as though the application had been made to it for the degrees. By application being made to any lodge the applicant thereby becomes the material of that lodge, and any right it may have in the premises it may waive or request another lodge to execute for it, except balloting for the degrees, and if it waives jurisdiction it waives that right and virtually recommends the candidate.

The report of Bro. Montgomery is, as usual, a very carefully prepared document.

This being their fiftieth anniversary, they proceeded in systematic manner to celebrate their golden jubilee. Banquet, music, eloquent addresses, history, pictures of all the prominent masons, both of the past and present, singly and in groups, collective group of the entire attendance, with temple decorations, ninety-three pages, besides the pictures, one of the finest souvenir books we have had the pleasure of examining. The Minnesota brethren know how to do things up in good style, and they did it. They are proud of their record as an organization, and it makes us proud of them, to see what they have accomplished and to note that they glory in it. We wish we could convey by our report our own conception of the elegant celebration, but words are weak when representing the love they bear each other and the deep masonic enthusiasm they manifest in their transactions.

Bro. Irving Todd, for the committee, presented a brief but very intelligent report on correspondence, eighty-one pages, well filled. Oregon for 1902 comes in for courteous treatment, our proceedings presented in synopsis and report in the same style. He gets nearly all our expressed opinions into a half page, and is equally as successful with the other correspondents, but whether he endorses or objects to the said opinions is more than we were able to find out. That kind of report is interesting and instructive, and two or three correspondents can thrive, even grow strong, on that kind of meat, but if all the boys were to adopt that style where would he get off? * * * Please, brother, give us a little more Todd next year.

The grounds of objection to the job lot method of rushing the work in some of our city lodges are well taken. It practically amounts to placing the candidates in a row and conferring the degree in full but once.

We have already discussed the matter of concurrent jurisdiction under the head of New Hampshire, and do not care to take it up again for the present. The expedient suggested by Bro. Hodson is no improvement over our own method of arriving at the same result, and is only a reminder of the fact that sometimes it is a little difficult to fit a decision from one jurisdiction to the conflicting regulations of another.

Our plan of writing reports is the outgrowth of many years' active experience, and so far seems to have met with the approval of a majority of the craft, for whose benefit they are primarily designed. The news takes precedence over the editorial.

Bro. Hodson is of the opinion that the Alabama masters must be a lot of chumps to ask so many questions that every mason ought to know; that a master who depends upon some one else to tell him what to do will never be a master or mason worth a cent; that a grand lodge has no right to forbid the making of a mason at sight by the grand master; that the home method does not do the greatest good to the greatest number; that a grand lodge which discharges all its duties seldom has spare money to buy jewels; that nothing of value is to be gained by public installations, although they have never done any harm; and that the best way to deal with the great army of non-affiliates is to simply let them alone.

M.·. W.·. S. M. Yoran, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. J. F. Robinson re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Eugene; Bro. J. M. Hodson, Portland, committee on foreign correspondence.

## PENNSYLVANIA, 1902.

At the March quarterly an appropriation of $5,000 was made to the sesqui-centennial celebration; a petition was received for a new lodge; and the gavel used by him while in office was presented to the junior past grand master.

At the June quarterly the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized.

At the September quarterly an appropriation of $150 was made for the purchase of a portrait of Bro. G. A. Baker, late grand secretary; Bro. T. R. Patton, grand treasurer, presented securities amounting to $42,624.48, bringing his memorial charity fund up to $100,000; and a resolution of thanks was extended to the worthy brother for his munificent gift.

The celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the initiation of Bro. George Washington into the fraternity was held at Philadelphia, Nov. 5th, with a large attendance of distinguished craftsmen from sixteen jurisdictions, including the president of the United States, the governor of the state, and a dozen grand masters. An oration upon Washington as a Freemason, a valuable historical paper, was delivered by Bro. J. M. Lamberton, and there were a great number of addresses both in the lodge room and at the subsequent elaborate banquet, which are given in full in a handsome memorial volume, profusely illustrated, and a triumph of the printer's art. We are indebted to the committee for a personal copy, which has been duly examined with interest.

At the December quarterly grand officers were elected; the grand charity fund was reported at $105,098.97 and the Girard bequest at $63,952; the accounts of the temple committee show expenditures of $80,644.88 in repairs and improvements; the report of the library committee gives a large increase in bound volumes and also in the number of visitors; and an expression of sympathy was extended to two past grand masters, prevented by illness from being present.

The annual communication was held at Philadelphia, Dec. 27th, M.·. W.·. E. A. Tennis, Grand Master. Eighty-seven lodges represented; four hundred and thirty-six on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Two petitions for new lodges. Membership fifty-nine thousand, eight hundred, and twenty-six; gain twenty-five hundred and sixty. Receipts $132,608.06.

The portraits are of Bro. George Washington and of a past grand master.

Several edicts were reported, in relation to the small attendance at masonic funerals, and directing that all lodge meetings and banquets shall close before the midnight hour, without a dispensation from the grand master.

The decisions numbered an even fifty, of merely local interest.

A number of visitors were present from Delaware and New Jersey, and the grand officers were installed.

The report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. J. M. Lamberton as heretofore, a very readable paper. From the courteous review of Minnesota the following paragraphs are reproduced:

> The annual address of the grand master is rather short, being confined to the matters pertaining to his own jurisdiction. He has sound views as to granting dispensations, but does not take a very high views of the prerogatives of a grand master.
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> The grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts, delivered a long oration on Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, for which he was thanked, and the oration is printed in full.
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> A sound report of the committee on jurisprudence against the adoption of reciprocity of jurisdiction with the Grand Lodge of North Dakota was adopted by grand lodge.
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> The report of the committee on foreign correspondence is by the chairman, Bro. Irving Todd, who has prepared another admirably condensed report. At times he gives his own views, but not often. * * * Pennsylvania for 1900 is well condensed. A page of extracts from our report is given. Our brother says he is unable to find the number of Winona Lodge given as 12 in the proceedings of 1899 and 1900. Our brother will find it so given at page one hundred and three in 1899, at page one hundred and seven in 1900, at page ninety-seven in 1901, and in 1902 he will find the same number at page one hundred and one. It is of no moment, and how in the world we happened to notice the mistake we cannot say, except that we have pleasant memories of a delightful visit to Winona some years ago.

Bro. Lamberton is right. The error occurred in the district tables, the last place we would have thought of looking for it. Last year Winona Lodge was correctly reported as No. 18.

R.·. W.·. E. A. Tennis, Grand Master, and R.·. W.·. W. A. Sinn, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. Michael Arnold, chairman of the committee on correspondence; all of Philadelphia.

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1903.

The twenty-eighth annual communication was held at Charlottetown, June 24th, M.·. W.·. W. R. Ellis, Grand Master. Twelve lodges represented; thirteen on the roll. Ten past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership six hundred and seven; gain thirty-three. Receipts $385.25.

The deaths of Bro. James Dollar, their first grand tyler, and Bro. E. B. Love, the oldest mason on the island, were announced.

The benevolent fund was reported at $505.50; the request of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia to waive jurisdiction over rejected material which had been accepted by one of its lodges was not granted; and the salary of the grand secretary was fixed at $150.

M.·. W.·. Benjamin Rogers, Charlottetown, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. Neil MacKelvie, Summerside, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## QUEBEC, 1903.

The thirty-third annual communication was held at Montreal, Jan. 28th, M.·. W.·. Edson Fitch, Grand Master. Fifty-two lodges represented; fifty-seven on the roll. Five past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership four thousand, one hundred, and ninety-nine; gain one hundred and eighty. Receipts $3,153.50.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

No decisions were reported; a short discourse was delivered by Bro. A. H. Moore, district grand chaplain; a number of constitutional amendments were adopted; a special committee was appointed to make a digest of decisions and

report next year; a lodge was authorized to wear gold lace on their clothing, having attained its one hundredth anniversary; and the salary of the grand secretary was restored to $800.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared as usual by Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, an entertaining paper from which is taken the following:

> The grand master delivered an interesting address covering his official acts.
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> An admirable review of Bro. Irving Todd reports on the proceedings of fifty-seven grand bodies, and covers ninety-one pages.

M.·. W.·. J. B. Tresidder, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. W. H. Whyte re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Montreal; Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## RHODE ISLAND, 1903.

The one hundred and thirteenth annual communication was held at Providence May 18th, M.·. W.·. W. H. Scott, Grand Master. Thirty-one lodges represented; thirty-seven on the roll. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership five thousand, eight hundred, and eighty-three; gain one hundred and ninety-eight. Receipts $3,285.19.

The deaths of Bro. Milton Livsey and Bro. Stillman White, past grand masters, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master. There is also a cut of the memorial monument to Bro. Edwin Baker, late grand secretary.

No decisions were reported; the price of the memorial volume was reduced to $1 on account of slow sales; and a jewel and apron were voted to the retiring grand master.

Sixteen pages of this little volume were given to memorial tablets, rather an undue proportion.

M.·. W.·. W. H. Walker, Grand Master, R.·. W.·. S. P. Williams re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Providence.

## SOUTH CAROLINA, 1902.

The one hundred and twenty-sixth annual communication was held at Charleston, Dec. 9th and 10th, M.·. W.·. W. M. Whitehead, Grand Master. One hundred and sixty-seven lodges represented; one hundred and eighty-seven on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges; two lodges revived. Membership six thousand, nine hundred, and twenty-six; gain three hundred and ninety-four. Receipts $8,394.15.

The death of Bro. B. W. Ball, past grand master, was announced.

The eleven decisions were purely local, although the sixth, that an entered apprentice who had unfortunately lost one joint of his little finger could not be allowed to proceed, is not in accord with general custom. It appears to be the law in that jurisdiction nevertheless.

A past grand master from Rhode Island was welcomed as a visitor; non-participation was advised in the fraternal building at the St. Louis exposition by the committee on foreign correspondence; an amendment was proposed designating the grand master, deputy grand master, and senior grand warden as a board to whom all applications for candidates laboring under physical disabilities should be referred, to be acted upon next year; a subordinate lodge was allowed to surrender its charter; and four charters were granted, two restored, and one dispensation continued.

The grand secretary submitted his accustomed report on foreign correspondence, and wonders why the lodge at Thief River Falls does not change its name. He also says that the oration of Bro. W. P. Roberts is pleasant reading and breathes good masonic doctrine.

M.·. W.·. W. M. Whitehead, Grand Master, and R.·. W.·. Charles Inglesby, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; both of Charleston.

## SOUTH DAKOTA, 1903.

The twenty-ninth annual communication was held at Deadwood, June 9th and 10th, M.·. W.·. F. A. Brown, Grand Master. Eighty-seven lodges represented; ninety-nine on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership five thousand, four hundred, and forty-four; gain three hundred and nineteen. Receipts $5,543.09.

The portraits are of the grand master and two deceased brethren, with a cut of the masonic temple at Chamberlain.

A number of decisions were reported, among them being a refusal to approve the by-laws of a lodge providing that a clergyman might receive the degrees at a reduced rate, and another that the petition of a minor might be signed and balloted upon before reaching his majority. Then why not proceed with the initiation?

Fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin; the committee on ritual recommended that there be no change in the established work; the dispensation for a new lodge was continued; a resolution of sympathy was extended to a past grand master and to the grand tyler, absent through illness; congratulations were extended to the Grand Chapter O. E. S., then in session; a special committee was appointed to prepare a new burial service; a permanent fund of five per cent of the gross receipts was set aside for a library building; an amendment to the by-laws was adopted restoring the decisions of the grand master to their former prestige; and the grand lodges of Costa Rica and Valle de Mexico were recognized.

The report on correspondence was again presented by Bro. S. A. Brown, his fourth effort in that line and one of his best. Under the head of Minnesota, we find the following:

This beautiful volume is the souvenir of the golden jubilee of our next neighbor.

Nine past grand masters were present and the representatives of thirty-six grand lodges. As one of each class we are glad to see the name of our beloved brother, H. R. Wells.

We trust that Grand Secretary Montgomery has succeeded in regaining his wonted health and vigor, for he was in his place showing his accustomed activity, and receiving tokens of friendship, one of which was a certificate of honorary membership in Albert Pike Lodge No. 237.

We may be wrong, but we are disposed to think that our M. W. brother is in error. From the grand secretary's admirable report we gather that the whole number of members dropped from the rolls is one hundred and ninety. The membership is eighteen thousand, five hundred, and forty-two. The loss is a small fraction over one per cent. We turn back the pages of history twenty-five years, and we read that the number lost in the same way was one hundred and ninety-two from a membership of seven thousand and sixty-one (Bro. Drummond's figures), nearly two and three-fourths per cent. Our reading of the statistics has lead us to believe that this evil is being gradually eradicated, although we do not believe that it is possible ever to obliterate it altogether.

The semi-centennial observance was well attended. * * * There was an interesting historical account given by Bro. G. R. Metcalf. * * * Biographical sketches are given of all the past grand masters, followed by an interesting oration by Past Grand Master Davis.

The correspondence report is by Bro. Irving Todd, and in his usual clear, comprehensive, and succinct fashion. * * * South Dakota's proceedings of 1902 are condensed into few words, but it is all there.

Bro. Brown's point that non-affiliation has decreased in Minnesota during the past quarter of a century seems to be well taken. The only practical remedy for the evil appears to be the prompt collection of lodge dues, thus reducing the annual loss to a minimum.

Bro. Brown is of the opinion that the Salvation Army is responsible for the introduction of the flag into our lodge rooms, and that it does not seem quite right to require its presence there; that the law of Arkansas upon physical qualifications is even worse than Missouri; that one should be permitted to become a member of as many lodges as will accept him; and that the brethren of North Dakota should go slow on the juvenile degree.

M.·. W.·. B. P. Dague, Deadwood, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. G. A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. A. Brown, Sioux Falls, committee on correspondence.

## TENNESSEE, 1903.

The eighty-ninth annual communication was held at Nashville, Jan. 28th, 29th, and 30th, M.·. W.·. J. R. Smith, Grand Master. Four hundred and six lodges represented; four hundred and twenty-four on the roll. Seventeen past grand masters present.

One dispensation for a new lodge; three charters surrendered. Membership seventeen thousand, eight hundred, and ninety-five; gain one hundred and twenty-five. Receipts $24,239.36.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the grand secretary.

A number of questions and answers were reported under the head of decisions, one permitting the initiation of a candidate with a cork foot.

Regrets were telegraphed a past grand master at home sick; the report of the home shows one hundred and twenty inmates, maintenance $11,759.22; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Michigan; an entertainment was given by the children from the home at the Masonic Theatre; the appointment of a grand lecturer was turned down by the committee on ways and means; a poem was read by Bro. A. W. Stovall, poet laureate; the fraternal building at St. Louis was indorsed, but without an appropriation; resolutions were adopted recommending rotation in office upon the standing committees; two charters and three dispensations were granted; a special committee was appointed to consider the advisability of buying a hundred acres of land adjoining the home, and report next year; Bro. J. S. Carels, a member of the grand lodge for fifty years without holding an office or serving on a standing committee, was introduced; a collection of $118.62 was taken for

the home endowment fund; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; the surplus in the treasury was donated to the home; the salary of the grand secretary was raised to $1,800; a special committee was appointed to prepare a burial and memorial service; and seventy-three masters elect were duly installed by the convocation of past masters.

Owing to the professional engagements of the chairman the report on correspondence was written by Bro. Robert Walton, and it is a good one too. Of Minnesota he says:

> A very handsome portrait of Grand Master G. S. Ives adorns this volume. The grand master's address is full of wisdom and masonic information, but as it necessarily deals with the work of the grand jurisdiction we shall not comment on it.
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> The oration was delivered by grand orator, Bro. W. P. Roberts. The oration is entitled Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic. We publish an extract.
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> The correspondence is well written up by Bro. Irving Todd, who gives one a lot of information in a small compass. We like his style.

Bro. Walton thinks a man who can neither read nor write would be a valuable acquisition to masonry, nit; that there is an alarming increase in the number of printed rituals; that there is no place in masonry for the modern reformer; that the involuntary non-affiliate is to be pitied, not condemned; and that the offices of deputy grand master and grand wardens are more ornamental than useful, made so by custom.

M.·. W.·. E. P. McQueen, Loudon, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. J. B. Garrett, Nashville, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. A. Chambers, Chattanooga, chairman of the commitee on correspondence.

## TEXAS, 1902.

The sixty-seventh annual communication was held at Houston, Dec. 2d, 3d, and 4th, M.·. W.·. William Clark, Grand Master. Four hundred and four lodges represented; six hundred and sixty-five on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present.

Seven dispensations for new lodges; one charter restored. Membership thirty-one thousand, five hundred, and sixty-eight; gain eighteen hundred and eighty-eight. Receipts $23,133.40.

The deaths of Bro. H. R. McCoy, grand pursuivant, Bro. J. F. Miller, past grand master, and Bro. W. F. Swain, past grand secretary, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect, the chairman of the committee on correspondence, and the deceased past grand master.

The fourteen decisions reported are merely answers to local questions, and might have been omitted from the printed proceedings without any very great loss.

The request of the Grand Lodge of Washington for resumption of fraternal relations was denied until the obnoxious declaration of 1898 is wholly repealed; the reports of the home show one hundred and nine inmates, maintenance $9,859.01; betterments $10,564.70; a short sketch of early Mexican masonry was submitted by the committee on history, with reproductions of several original documents; an address was delivered by Bro. S. R. Hamilton, past grand master; an appropriation of $18,000 was made to the home fund; eight charters were granted and two restored; $100 were appropriated for repairs of the Robert Gillespie monument, fully described in the 1900 proceedings; resolutions were adopted for building the new temple at Waco, the cost not to exceed $150,000, and by an amendment to the constitution the grand lodge was formally removed to that town; the McLeary ring was duly transferred; and a jewel presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. T. M. Matthews prepared his accustomed report on fraternal correspondence, but we are sorry to see that Minnesota was not received.

M.·. W.·. W. M. Fly, Gonzales, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. John Watson, Houston, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. M. Matthews, Athens, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

## UTAH, 1903.

The thirty-second annual communication was held at Salt Lake City, Jan. 20th and 21st, M.·. W.·. W. J. Lynch, Grand Master. The ten lodges all represented. Ten past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership ten hundred and eighty-three; gain one hundred and one. Receipts $2,342.08.

The portraits are of the grand master elect, two past grand masters, and a past grand lecturer.

A stenographer was employed to keep the minutes; the report of the grand librarian shows a total of eighteen hundred volumes now on the shelves; no action was taken upon the fraternal building proposition from St. Louis; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Connecticut; a special committee on physical disabilities was appointed to report next year; the Emery ring was handed down; a jewel presented to the retiring grand master; and a banquet served by the local lodges.

The grand secretary presented his twenty-seventh annual report on correspondence, with the following fraternal allusions to Minnesota:

> The address of the grand master is a brief statement of his official acts, and of local interest only.
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> Grand Orator Bro. W. P. Roberts orated on Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic.
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> The report on correspondence was again presented by Bro. Irving Todd. He devoted ninety-one pages to a review of fifty-seven grand lodges.
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> On the evening of Jan. 22d The Masonic Veteran Association celebrated its tenth annual reunion. * * * May the last days of each member of the association be his best days.

M.·. W.·. Walter Scott, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. Christopher Diehl re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Salt Lake City.

## VERMONT, 1903.

The one hundred and tenth annual communication was held at Burlington, June 10th and 11th, M.·. W.·. C. R. Montague, Grand Master. Ninety-one lodges represented; one hundred and two on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership ten thousand, nine hundred, and eighty-three; gain three hundred and nine. Receipts $8,149.25.

The deaths of Bro. L. M. Read, past grand master, and Bro. D. C. Barber, for over thirty years senior grand steward, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and an ex-lieutenant governor.

The grand master sensibly reported that his interpretations of the law during the past year were not of sufficient importance to go upon record.

An apron was voted to Bro. Park Davis, their senior past grand master, now living at Sioux Falls, S. D.; a resolution of thanks was extended to the special committee, who selected the handsome collars and aprons (not regalia) and paid the bill themselves; the new grand secretary reported the unearthing of many curious and interesting documents, particularly from 1826 to 1846; a reduction of $6,000 was noted in the temple debt; a venerable past grand master, eighty-one years of age, was received with the grand honors; two lodges were given authority to consolidate, under the name and number of the elder; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the salary of the grand secretary was raised from $350 to $800; provision was made for the payment of expenses to certain standing committees; and a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. M. O. Perkins, and in behalf of the twenty thousand masons of Minnesota we sincerely thank him for the following kind words referring to our jurisdiction:

The published proceedings are those of the fiftieth annual communication, and the volume, handsomely illustrated witih half tone reproductions of the officers of the grand lodge, its founders and past grand masters, is a beautiful souvenir of the golden jubilee, which was duly commemorated during the evening of the first day of the session.

The address of the grand master is a straightforward, business-like recital of his official acts, and the record of a diligent and conscientious steward.

The grand orator, Bro. W. C. Masterman, delivered the annual oration before grand lodge, an interesting and well written paper.

A touching, yet pleasing, incident occurred during the installation of the newly elected grand master, which reminds us of a similar occurrence, a few years since, in our own grand lodge, when Grand Master Nay was elected. It is of special interest to Vermont, because of the ties that bind the present grand master of our sister jurisdiction to the Green Mountain State by reason of family relations, and because the father is the honored representative of Vermont near Minnesota * * * All honor to the distinguished son of a distinguished sire. May both live long to rejoice and be sustained in the affection of each for the other.

On the evening of the semi-centennial observance hundreds of master masons filled every available nook and cranny of the most beautiful and spacious masonic hall in the northwest. To say that the exercises were of the deepest interest but feebly expresses it. They were presided over by the grand master, and included an intensely interesting historical address by the grand historian, W. Bro. G. R. Metcalf, and an eloquent oration by "the silver tongued orator" of the grand lodge, R. W. G. H. Davis, past deputy grand master.

Time and space forbid recounting further the impressive ceremonies, but we may be pardoned for taking both to say that the first grand master of masons of the state was a Vermonter born, viz., M. W. A. E. Ames, who first saw the light of day in Colchester. Of the other twenty-two grand masters, not including the present incumbent of the office, seventeen were natives of New England. Of these four were born in Vermont, viz., M. W. Bros. C. H. Benton, at Lunenburg; R. H. Gove, at Strafford; J. H. Brown, at Rutland; and Alphonso Barto, at Hinesburg. A fifth, a native of Massachusetts, M. W. A. T. Stebbins, was most closely affiliated by taking for his better half a daughter of the old Green Mountain State, and last, but not least, Vermont blood courses through the veins of the present grand master, if we are correctly informed. Of a truth Vermont masons have good reason to be interested in all that pertains to the upbuilding and uplifting of the great cause of freemasonry in this grand jurisdiction, and to join heartily in the warmest congratulations upon the auspicious event, so befittingly commemorated by their brethren and kindred of this New England of the West.

The report on correspondence is again submitted by Bro. Irving Todd, who has the happy faculty of condensing more information into the smallest space, *anent* things doing and done in the masonic world, in an interesting manner, than any other reviewer at the round table. Vermont for 1902 is included in his present summary of fifty-four grand lodges, and is accorded generous and fraternal notice.

The proceedings of the eleventh annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association is also found in the appendix. * * * Owing to the observance of the golden jubilee by grand lodge the annual banquet and the transaction of all business, except of a routine nature, were omitted, but assurance can be had that "the boys" will be on deck again next year.

M.·. W.·. O. W. Daley, White River Junction, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. H. H. Ross, Burlington, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. M. O. Perkins, Windsor, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## VIRGINIA, 1902.

The one hundred and twenty-fifth annual communication was held at Richmond, Dec. 2d, 3d, and 4th, M.·. W.·. H. O. Kerns, Grand Master. One hundred and seventy-one lodges represented; two hundred and seventy-six on the roll. Five past grand masters and our representative present.

Five dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership fourteen thousand, three hundred, and three; gain four hundred and sixty-one. Receipts $11,062.76.

The death of Bro. J. A. Cosby, grand pursuivant since 1884, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

Twelve decisions were reported, mainly of local interest. No. 3 correctly held that the word congregate simply meant to call to order, and that the senior warden had a right to request a past master to open the lodge and preside, in the absence of the master. No. 9 held that attending divine service as a lodge is a masonic occasion, but it is not so regarded in many jurisdictions. No. 12, that the loss of the little finger of the right hand is a physical disqualification.

The proposition to admit widows into the masonic home was rejected; their best wishes were telegraphed to the wife of the grand master for giving birth to a son while he was sitting in the grand east, which is justly termed an unusual, if not an unprecedented, occurrence; letters were read from former beneficiaries of the home expressing their gratitude for the care and benefits they had received at that institution; the special committee on memorial volume were authorized to have it printed, provided the cost did not exceed the sum left over from the centennial; a special per capita tax of twenty-five cents was levied for the ensuing eight years, to be applied on the temple debt; no action was taken upon the communication from the fraternal building association at St. Louis; the special committee on endowment fund were granted further time; four charters were granted, three dispensations continued, and the surrender of a charter accepted; the printing bills were ordered decreased by setting the names of representatives in smaller type and running them into one paragraph; several amendments to the Methodical Digest were adopted; an historical sketch of Atlantic Lodge No. 2 was presented by the committee and published in the appendices; and the report of the home shows $5,939.54 disbursements, but not the member of inmates.

The report on foreign correspondence is from the easy flowing pen of Bro. J. W. Eggleston, and will be read with interest both at home and abroad. Under the head of Minnesota we find the following criticisms and compliments:

> The grand master's address was brief and business-like. * * * This may be all right under Minnesota statutes, and probably is. With us honorary membership means honorary membership, and entails no dues whatever. We are at a loss to realize the honor of being taxed and subjected to danger of a penalty for non-payment. Besides, restoration should place the restored where he was before, or it is not restoration, according to the edition of Webster we use. However, Bro. Todd will, as usual, get the best of the argument by having the last word.
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> Justice to our noble order, no less than logic, would say that when a profane changes his residence some lodge instantly loses territorial

jurisdiction. Now, how can that lodge waive or transfer to another what it does not any longer possess? With an elected candidate the case is, of course, different. The jurisdiction is no longer territorial, but has become personal, and can be waived.

The dignity, honor, and prerogative of the office is, in our opinion, an essential part of masonry. To impair it is to surrender one of the peculiarities which differentiate us from all else, and make us only one of the many secret orders, all of which are more or less feeble imitations, for special purposes, of that which is the most venerable and, in its purity, the most perfect of human institutions.

The jurisprudence committee reported that a man engaged in the wholesale liquor business was eligible to masonry, but, after discussion the following was adopted. * * * Why not trust to the black ball, and leave this political question to the hustings or to the societies organized for the purpose of dealing with it?

Bro. Irving Todd gives us another report, which we would like to be able to imitate if we only possessed the ability. He summarizes our acts of 1900 very satisfactorily, and then quotes largely from what we said under Minnesota. * * * He attempts to refute our defense of Bro. Carrington by saying that a well kept register would as well facilitate the tracing of a brother's masonic genealogy as burdening the proceedings with long lists of names. He overlooks the fact that the register, which *is* carefully kept, is only in the grand secretary's office in Richmond, while the proceedings are in every lodge in the state. As to repeating the list of those present at each session, we do it because we regularly close each session and do not call off except for actual refreshment. Our lodges know just how well their delegates perform their duties.

He is in error in thinking that our wardens, who receive the present or past master's degree when not advanced to the east, obtain a rank not earned. Our digest specifically states that the *rank* applies only to those who have served full terms as master of lodges. We have often explained that the degree and the rank are not the same. We should call the degree what it really is, that of present master. The term past in its name arose from an office not now known in American lodges, more's the pity.

In much of the foregoing we heartily concur, but possibly some explanation may not prove amiss:

Honorary membership *per se* should mean just what it says. However, the practice has received little encouragement with us. In 1874 the committee on jurisprudence reported that they did not know what it meant, but if the mode of election was changed from a secret ballot to a mere

show of hands it was no membership at all. Without knowledge of the case in question we should infer that it was in reality a life instead of an honorary membership, where the brother, under the by-laws, had been exempted from lodge dues other than the per capita tax imposed by the grand lodge. Failure to pay this for two years would consequently render him liable to be stricken from the rolls, and a subsequent affiliation give him the status of a new member only.

The comments of Bro. Ives upon dispensations refused were all right, when taken together as originally printed. There has never been the least doubt that the grand master was ruler of the craft in Minnesota when the grand lodge was not in session, subject of course to certain constitutional limitations based upon the ancient landmarks and masonic usages. It is hardly to be presumed that a grand master in Virginia would violate the plain requirements of their digest, even if asked to do so.

So far as printing the annual list of members is concerned, it is quite generally conceded to be a great waste of money, of more benefit to the masonic tramp than to the craft.

If the Grand Lodge of Virginia did not invest their wardens with the past master's degree they would not have two kinds of past masters. In Minnesota the so-called degree is only conferred upon masters elect as a prerequisite to installation, consequently there is no question as to rank in this jurisdiction.

The following example of democracy in masonry is found under the head of Ireland:

> We, in Virginia, once saw the governor of the state a visitor, and simply a master mason seeking a seat where he could find one, while his private secretary was presiding in the east, grand master of masons.

M.·. W.·. E. N. Eubank, Newport News, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. G. W. Carrington, Richmond, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. W. Eggleston, Richmond, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## WASHINGTON, 1903.

The forty-sixth annual communication was held at Seattle, June 9th, 10th, and 11th, M.·. W.·. John Arthur, Grand Master. One hundred and five lodges represented; one hundred and twelve on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present, our representative included.

Nine dispensations for new lodges. Membership seven thousand and fifty-six; gain eight hundred and fifty-one. Receipts $9,319.90.

The deaths of Bro. Jacob Weatherwax, grand marshal, and Bro. J. R. Hayden, past grand master, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master. There is also a cut of the masonic temple at Olympia, in which the grand lodge was organized in 1858. The semi-centennial anniversary of Olympia Lodge No. 1, was observed Dec. 11th, with a special communication of the grand lodge and a number of interesting addresses.

One of the thirteen decisions was that a petition could not be received until the applicant was twenty-one years of age.

Fraternal greetings were exchanged with Oregon and Wisconsin; further action in relation to the Grand Orient of Belgium was indefinitely postponed; eight charters were granted and one dispensation continued; a scholarly address was delivered by Bro. C. A. Snowden, grand orator; regrets were forwarded to the grand chaplain and to their oldest living past grand master upon their inability to be present; an appropriation of $1,000 was made to the grand secretary in slight recognition of his long and valuable services, but the attempt to increase his annual salary to $1,800 was defeated; and the proposed removal of the grand lodge library from Olympia to Seattle was indefinitely postponed.

The report on correspondence was submitted by Bro. W. H. Upton, after an absence of two years from the circle. It is a very readable paper of nearly two hundred pages; the following paragraphs are reproduced from a fraternal review of Minnesota;

This was the golden jubilee of the grand lodge, its fiftieth annual communication, and in honor of the event a volume of proceedings was issued which would be a credit to any grand lodge in the world, whether we consider the value of the historical information it preserves, the skill with which it was edited by Grand Secretary Montgomery, or the wealth of pictorial illustrations with which it is adorned. Without undertaking to enumerate all these latter, which include a flash light picture of the whole grand lodge, groups of the present grand officers, and individual portraits of many of the founders of that grand lodge, and most, if not all, of its grand masters, we may say we are especially interested in the portraits of Father A. T. C. Pierson, author of Traditions of Freemasonry; Thomas Montgomery, their broad-minded and efficient grand secretary; Irving Todd, committee on correspondence; Charles Griswold, who as early as 1876 clearly demonstrated the legitimacy of negro masonry; R. H. Gove, since deceased, father of our own R. A. Gove; and many others, including, last but not least, D. W. C. Dunwell, now living in our neighboring city of Lewiston, Ida., the last survivor of the founders of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. As was appropriate on such an occasion the grand lodge met in a hall very handsomely decorated; with bunting and red, white and blue streamers abundantly displayed; and Old Glory conspicuous in both east and west. It is surprising to us that, even on such an occasion, twelve lodges were unrepresented.

The address of Grand Master A. D. Countryman was rather brief and quite limited to local matters.

The report of Grand Secretary Montgomery was full and interesting, as usual.

Grand Orator W. C. Masterman delivered an address that was evidently inspired by the semi-centennial anniversary.

The brother from whose oration on Love we quoted a few years ago was elected grand master.

The evening of the 24th was given up to the ceremonies of the golden jubilee, a full chronicle of which, edited by G. R. Metcalf, P. M., the brother who seems to have been generally accorded the chief credit for the success of the affair, is bound up with the proceedings. The principal address of the evening was by that same Bro. Metcalf. As it fills nearly ninety pages of small type, it doubtless was not delivered in full. It is nothing less than a very minute and scholarly history of Minnesota masonry for more than fifty years. We have had a little experience ourself in historical writing during the last year, on The Masonic History of the Northwest, and much more in our youthful years, and are therefore prepared to appreciate the thoroughness and scholarly way with which Bro. Metcalf performed his great task. With some of the opinions he occasionally expresses we by no means agree; that is another matter; but who would not expect good work from one who ventured to say, at such

a time and to that audience, of one so revered by Minnesota masons as Bro. A. T. C. Pierson. * * *

Bro. Irving Todd's correspondence report presents a very complete and able epitome of the proceedings of the various grand lodges. But it is almost exclusively an epitome, void of comment, and therefore presents little that is quotable.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association round out the volume.

M.·. W.·. C. D. Atkins, Tacoma, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. T. M. Reed, Olympia, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. H. Upton, Walla Walla, committee on correspondence.

## WEST VIRGINIA, 1902.

The thirty-eighth annual communication was held at Fairmont, Nov. 13th and 14th, M.·. W.·. P. R. Harrison, Grand Master. One hundred and seventeen lodges represented; one hundred and twenty-one on the roll. Eleven past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership eight thousand and twenty-two; gain five hundred and ninety-one. Receipts $6,065.75.

The deaths of Bro. Hugh Sterling, grand treasurer for nineteen years, and Bro. T. W. Bliss, grand tyler since the organization of the grand lodge, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect, the grand treasurer, and one of their United States senators.

The address was a brief business paper, one of the shortest that has recently come under our notice. No decisions are reported.

Three trustees were appointed to take charge of all grand lodge property; a message of sympathy was forwarded to a district deputy grand lecturer, sick in a hospital; the committee on grand lodge temple was granted further time; a reception and banquet was given at a local tavern; after a whole afternoon spent in committee of the whole upon the masonic home question no decision was arrived at; two charters and one dispensation were granted; the committee on masonic jurisprudence held that an army

officer, made a mason in one of their lodges without being a resident of the jurisdiction, would be entitled to all the privileges of a non-affiliate; an appropriation of $100 was made to the retiring grand chaplain, prevented by poor health from being present; jewels were voted to the retiring grand master and the three oldest past grand masters; and the establishment of a home was indefinitely postponed.

About one-half of the bulky volume is filled with the report on foreign correspondence, the handiwork of the genial grand secretary. The following is found under Minnesota:

> A portrait of M. W. G. S. Ives, the retiring grand master, embellishes this neatly printed, though small volume of grand lodge proceedings.
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> The annual address of M. W. Grand Master Ives is an interesting and well prepared paper.
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> An address was delivered by Bro. W. P. Roberts, grand orator, on the subject, Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic. It is a strong address, and Bro. Roberts brings to the attention of the fraternity the interesting points and characteristics of the entered apprentice degree.
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> Bro. Thomas Montgomery was re-elected right worshipful grand secretary for the ensuing masonic year. Bro. Montgomery thus enters upon his fourteenth year in this important station. He is a competent officer, and deserves the preferment he has received at the hands of his brethren.
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> The annual report of foreign correspondence is, of course, by M. W. Bro. Irving Todd, who is a veteran in this sort of business. It embraces a review of fifty-seven grand lodges, and is squeezed into ninety-one printed pages. He devotes considerable space to an analysis of our West Virginia proceedings for 1900. His explanation in regard to my failure to review the proceedings of his grand lodge is accepted cheerfully and gratefully. It is all right. I never let a volume of Minnesota proceedings pass by me without giving it a careful overhauling. All I ask is to have the grand secretary mail to me his grand lodge proceedings, and I can assure Bro. Todd that I will not overlook his grand lodge.

The Virginia rule, that the wardens must take the past master's degree before being installed, also prevails in West Virginia, but we consider it a very poor one nevertheless, for reasons heretofore stated.

Bro. Atkinson believes that the best possible way to keep a correct record of their membership is to print the names every year, but this gives very little available data without an index. It is hardly possible that the Grand Lodge of West Virginia has no register. Suppose some one was anxious to know whether John White was a mason or not; would he wade through one hundred and thirty-six pages of small type to find out? Even if the name was found, how would his genealogy be traced?

M.·. W.·. E. M. Turner, Morgantown, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. G. W. Atkinson, Charleston, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## WISCONSIN, 1903.

The fifty-ninth annual communication was held at Milwaukee, June 9th, 10th, and 11th, M.·. W.·. D. McL. Miller, Grand Master. Two hundred and twenty-three lodges represented; two hundred and forty-six on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present, including our representative.

Six dispensations for new lodges. Membership nineteen thousand, seven hundred, and thirteen; gain nine hundred and eighteen. Receipts $10,752.54.

The death of Bro. M. L. Youngs, past grand master and grand lecturer for forty-five years, was announced.

The portrait is that of Bro. J. H. Drummond.

Our neighboring jurisdiction is usually quite prolific in decisions; this year is no exception, thirteen being recorded, of which the following is a sample:

1. **Can the worshipful master, senior warden, and junior warden, no other mason being present, open a lodge of master masons and act upon a petition for degrees? Yes.**

The jurisprudence committee struck out the remainder of this novel ruling, based wholly and erroneously upon the ritual. It is generally held that no lodge can be opened with less than seven master masons, the smallest number that can retain a charter.

The twelfth decision was also disapproved, the committee correctly holding that at least three actual past masters are required to open a convocation, and also reversing a former ruling permitting virtual past masters to be present at the conferring of the degree upon a master elect.

Hearty greetings were telegraphed to South Dakota and Washington; the grand secretary reported that two of their past grand masters were now serving as masters of subordinate lodges, one being the chairman of the committee on jurisprudence, the other of foreign correspondence; the trustees were empowered to procure bonds for the grand officers from an indemnity company; six charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the grand secretary was constituted custodian of the work; a brother was expelled for publishing a cipher; provision was made for filling the vacancy as grand lecturer; thanks were extended to the grand tyler for the present of a bible; and a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. Aldro Jenks, and is well worth the $300 appropriated for it. The following appears under the head of Minnesota:

> This being the golden jubilee of Minnesota masonry, the volume before us comes in most attractive form, being embellished with portraits of all the officers of the grand lodge, and containing portraits and biographical sketches of all of their past grand masters.
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> The address of the grand master shows by the quantity of work performed that he has been a zealous and faithful officer * * * The decisions rendered were few in number, and were all found to be in accordance with the masonic law of Minnesota.
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> Like many other grand masters he is greatly worried over the subject of non-affiliation. The matter was referred to a special committee, and, as has always been the case, they found no satisfactory solution of the difficulty. In Wisconsin we have no trouble at all with this class, we simply pay no attention to them. Whenever a brother takes so little interest in masonry that he does not care to retain membership in some lodge, we think he should be permitted to go in peace. Masonry can get along without him fully as well as he can get along without freemasonry.
>
> Bro. Irving Todd presented another terse report of the doings of sister grand lodges. His condenser was in good working order, and

he succeeded in giving a very fair idea of the state of masonry throughout the United States in a report covering only eighty-one pages, three of which are devoted to Wisconsin's doings.

Bro. Jenks says that the provision of our constitution permitting a lodge to be opened by one of its past masters in the absence of the master and wardens is contrary to the general rule, which is undoubtedly true. Still the law is in keeping with the ancient regulations, avoiding the necessity of applying to the grand master for a dispensation in possibly rare instances.

Of the restoration case he says:

We appreciate and honor the motive, but cannot help feeling that the action of the grand lodge was entirely void.

It was precisely like the many so-called decisions; made to fit a particular case, and then should be obliterated from the records.

The conclusion has a very sensible page upon masonic homes, rather too lengthy for reproduction, but worthy of consideration in every jurisdiction where the subject is pending. It meets our views precisely.

M.·. W.·. John Corscot, Madison, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. W. W. Perry, Milwaukee, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. Aldro Jenks, Dodgeville, committee on foreign correspondence.

## WYOMING, 1903.

The twenty-ninth annual communication was held at Newcastle, Sept. 2d, M.·. W.·. C. N. Potter, Grand Master. Eighteen lodges represented; nineteen on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership fourteen hundred and eighty-eight; gain one hundred and eighty. Receipts $2,243.65.

The deaths of Bro. J. H. Hayford and Bro. DeForest Richards, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a past grand master.

The following was the last one of the approved decisions:

13. It is not necessary that all the pallbearers should be masons where the funeral services are being conducted by a masonic lodge, and it is proper to comply with the request of the widow that some of the pallbearers shall be friends of the family who are not masons. I am aware that a very strict rule in some jurisdictions is laid down in this regard, and that it is held improper to permit any person not a mason to act as pallbearer where the services are being conducted under masonic auspices, but I am not in favor of such an illiberal rule, and I think the reason usually given for the same is not sound.

Minnesota usage requires the pallbearers at a masonic funeral to be master masons.

Two charters were granted to the lodges under dispensation; amendments to the by-laws were adopted relating to the grand lecturer, to expulsions and suspensions, and the keeping of a lodge book of rejections; and an appropriation of $100 was made to assist in the revision of the official work.

The report on correspondence was again prepared by the grand secretary, from which we quote the following in the review of Minnesota:

Bro. Irving Todd remains the reporter, having a short and very good report on correspondence in proceedings. As a condenser he is a success. Wyoming is well noticed.

M.·. W.·. T. S. Taliaferro, Jr., Rock Springs, Grand Master; R.·. W.·. W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, re-elected Grand Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,
IRVING TODD,
*For the Committee.*

Hastings, Dec. 27th, 1903.

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